

Pastor Reports Enthusiasm Of Men For Catholic Action Work

Attention, all pastors and all men!

A priest of a very large parish in this diocese writes the Archbishop this encouraging letter:

"We had our first organization meeting of the men. I turned over to the Holy Name Society the task of organizing the Holy Name members into Block Captains, and they did an excellent job. I had bought maps of our city for them. Sixty men were selected by the officers of the Holy Name Society, each of whom will have his definite territory to supervise. The sixty will be under six leaders.

"I have attended each meeting the men have held, and promoted your ideas which they liked very much, and which they have enthusiastically put into execution. This gives me sixty men to help keep in touch with the parish in addition to our St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Legion of Mary. The quality of the men, and the cooperation I have gotten from them seems really miraculous to me

MOST REV. JOHN F. NOLL, D.D.

since before your planning this new organization, they seemed to be quite indifferent towards any sort of Catholic Action work.

"We have had an organization seriously working out the problem of high school attendance. We expect to charter a bus at a cost of \$16.00 per day, and to send a large number of our public high school students to the new St. Joseph High School in South Bend next fall. I use the double pocket envelopes, and, with your permission, I shall pay from receipts in the pocket marked "school" for the tuition of the students at the high school as well as transportation.

"I feel that I shall have a more spiritual-minded parish with these sixty auxiliaries helping me, while I personally shall be relieved of considerable worry

over the spiritual attention I owe and could not give to my entire flock."

The Archbishop has also been encouraged by learning that 200 men, largely professional and business men, selected from all the parishes in another city will attend instruction classes, form study clubs and prepare themselves to address parish organizations. He learned that all the pastors of the city had sent splendid men too for a District Council, that they deliberately chose men in their 30's and 40's, and that the meeting was enthusiastic. May God bless them all!

Next week, you will recall, the subscriptions for *Our Sunday Visitor* will be gathered (\$2.50) and the organization of men can be helpful in seeing that every parish will have full coverage.

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Propagation Of Faith Membership

Don't forget to make use of the first of your Lenten envelopes. This Sunday every wage earner is asked to take out a membership in the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Minimum membership dues are \$1.00 per year. This is the Pontifical Society headed in this country by Bishop Fulton J. Sheen. The good achieved through your and other memberships is tremendous.

The next feast of Mary, high in the Marian Year catalogue, is that of the Annunciation, which falls on March 25, exactly nine months before the feast of the birth of Christ on December 25.

The Holy Father is interested in having all make the visits on that day to pray fervently for his intentions.



The Pope would have all priests, both diocesan and regular, to offer their Masses for his intentions; that priests and laity observe a Holy Hour, in union, in churches dedicated to the Mother of God.

Passion Sunday, which falls on April 4, is also set aside as another special day on which the faithful everywhere will join in collective prayer for the persecuted in the "Church of Silence." This means the Church which is not permitted, by the atheists who control it, to speak up.

The Holy See has also recommended that each Bishop select a day, at his own discretion, which the faithful will observe as "Day of the Sick." It was suggested that religious functions be organized in hospitals, sanitariums, and other similar institutions. The Archbishop suggests Palm Sunday as "Day of the Sick."

The sick and afflicted should be asked to offer their prayers and suffering in union with Christ's suffering for the Pope's intentions, the chief one of which is "Peace" and the end of religious persecution.

Read what the Archbishop addresses to you at the top of this page; also the Lenten Reflection and all articles of instruction in section two.

O. S. V. Marian Year Pilgrimages

This issue of *Our Sunday Visitor* contains announcements of two Marian Year Pilgrimages to European shrines sponsored by *Our Sunday Visitor* and approved by Archbishop Noll. (See advertisement on the back page of this section and an article on page two of section two.)

These pilgrimages are being conducted in cooperation with the American Express Company. Announcement of them has created great interest in the Diocese of Fort Wayne and throughout the nation. Bookings are limited and it is hoped, therefore, that Fort Wayne diocesans who wish to travel with the O.S.V. group will make the necessary reservations as soon as possible in order to avoid disappointment.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John Sabo, dean of the South Bend Deanery, will act as spiritual leader for the pilgrimage sailing from New York on July 6. Spiritual leader of the group sailing on June 23 will be announced soon.

We request the prayers of our readers for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Victoria Buczyra, mother of the Reverend Joseph A. Buczyra, of St. Joseph's Church, East Chicago, who died February 27.

Bishop Pursley's Spring Schedule

Mar. 7 Confirmation, St. Joseph, Fort Wayne (afternoon)
Mar. 7 Confirmation, St. Patrick, Fort Wayne (evening)
Mar. 14 Sermon St. Francis Guild, Fort Wayne
Mar. 14 Confirmation, Little Flower, Waynedale (afternoon)
Mar. 14 Confirmation, Sacred Heart, Fort Wayne (evening)
Mar. 21 Talk, St. Joseph College Alumni Breakfast, Fort Wayne

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In His Lenten Message . . .

Pope Pius Calls On Laity To Help Rebuild World In Spirit Of Christ

Vatican City —(NC Radio) — Humanity today has no other solution for its ills but "to build the world anew in the spirit of Christ." His Holiness Pope Pius XII declared in a pre-Lenten message to the pastors and Lenten preachers of Rome.

"Let men in high places come to realize the absolute necessity of this," the Holy Father admonished, "because by ignoring God or denying Him they will build even more precariously than at present."

The Pontiff had intended speaking to his priests in person, in accordance with his annual custom at this season of the year, but his illness made this impossible. His sickbed message, however, conveyed what he would have said in audience, and revealed the thoughts nearest his heart for the betterment of the people in his own personal Diocese of Rome.

Pope Pius declared that while the problem of spiritual rebuilding is "pressing as never before," priests should view it "without pessimism, but also clearly and objectively."

Two questions were posed by the Pope for the guidance of the priests in Rome. For how many people and families in the parish

is Christ a living reality? How many pray to Him, nourish themselves with Him, live by and through Him?

"True," he said, "all believe more or less after a fashion. Very many have been baptized, and have made First Communion also. They have been married in the Church and want to have, in God's good time, the Last Sacraments and a Church burial."

"But," the Pontiff added, "it is undeniable that outside the group, more or less numerous, of fervent Catholics, you have simply the well disposed, the indifferent, and even the hostile."

Several suggestions were made by His Holiness for bringing all to a true and constant practice of the Faith. The principal one was for the employment of laymen as auxiliaries in the spiritual apostolate.

The words and actions of Jesus

Daily Way Of Cross

East Chicago—Way of the Cross devotions, intended for shift workers and office workers, will be conducted daily Monday through Friday at 12:30 p.m. in Sacred Heart Church, Olcott Avenue, here. It was announced by the Rev. Leon Duray, pastor. The public is invited to attend. The regular parish lenten services will be held on Wednesday and Friday evenings.

Christ should penetrate everywhere and vivify everybody and everything, the Pope told the pastors and preachers, stressing that "you are as much concerned, if not more than we are," in accomplishing this aim. Answering the question, "How do we do it?" he said:

"We know you can reach every soul, even the most distant, most remote and most obstinate, by your prayers and sacrifices for them. You can, for example, mobilize the children and the suffering of your parishes that they may cause a shower of graces to fall on souls entrusted to your care."

The Pope went on to emphasize the necessity of also utilizing the apostolate of the laity, "which, as you yourselves know from your own experience, can become a source of good." Referring to the "increasing number of the laity who have a call to sanctity and the apostolate," he said "it is necessary to find these souls, who they are, what they are, and what they are capable of doing." Once they are found, he added, they must be trained in the principles of intellectual, human and spiritual formation, and "then you must actually use them."

Pope Pius said that some of these "auxiliaries" will be able to point out particular material and spiritual needs in the parish, while others will be able to "open for you doors to a soul closed to any priestly contact."

Prelate Predicts Success For War Relief Collection

New Orleans —(NC) — A prediction that the nation's Catholics will respond generously to the 1954 campaign on Laetare Sunday, March 28, for the Bishops' Fund for Victims of War was made here by New Orleans' Archbishop Joseph F. Rummel.

The Archbishop addressed a meeting of directors for the campaign in nine Sees of the South and Southwest. The meeting was the last in a series conducted throughout the country by officials of War Relief Services—National Catholic Welfare Conference, which will sponsor the campaign under the direction of the American Hierarchy.

America is the world's pivot, both politically and spiritually. Archbishop Rummel told the directors. He reminded that the proceeds from the Laetare Sunday campaign will be used to aid the destitute of the world, regardless of race, creed or national origin. "Blessed with material goods, faith and the spirit of charity,"

Archbishop Rummel said, "America gives freely and from the heart. The response of the children (to the campaign) has been truly remarkable."

Need is the only requisite among the destitute for aid from the American Bishops' relief agency, Msgr. Edward E. Swanson, WRS-N.C.W.C. executive director, told the meeting. He stressed that the need which exists among the refugees, escapees, expellees and other destitute throughout the world today, is as great as at any time since World War II.

"As a result of a recent survey I made in the Far East," the Monsignor said, "I can tell you that the rice bowls of that area now are practically empty. Korea's rice crop will be exhausted in six weeks. The fabulously fertile rice lands of north Vietnam are cut off by the warfare there. Because of earthquakes and typhoons, Japan's food supply is expected to fall 20 per cent below the minimum requirement."



IN ALGIERS — Sister Mary Joannella, formerly Mary Anne Green of St. Paul's Academy, Washington, D. C., is shown as she arrived at Algiers for her second year novitiate. Candidates for the White Sisters from all countries do the same. Sister Joannella entered the postulate of the White Sisters at Belleville, Ill., in 1952. (NC Photos)

Former Hungarian Minister To Address Hessville HNS Meet

Hessville — Stephen D. Kertesz, Hungarian refugee from Communism and former Hungarian Minister to Italy, will relate some of his experiences at the annual Holy Name Society Day of Recollection dinner, next Sunday, March 14, at 6 p. m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, here.

Now a professor of political science at the University of Notre Dame, he served in the Hungarian Foreign Ministry during the war and postwar years and joined with other officials to try to keep Hungary out of war. In 1943-44 he worked on the peace preparatory negotiations in expectation of the German defeat.

Dr. Kertesz was arrested and court-martialed when the Nazis took over Hungary in October, 1944. He continued his fight for Hungary's freedom and independence as head of the peace preparatory division of the Hungarian Foreign Ministry after the siege of Budapest.

He went to Paris in 1946 as Secretary-General of the Hungarian peace delegation and in 1947 he

was Hungarian Minister to Italy. In the summer of 1947 it was apparent that communism had choked off Hungary from the West, so Dr. Kertesz resigned from the diplomatic service while in Italy and soon left for America.

This diplomat, scholar and author soon became a visiting professor at the Law School of Yale and then joined the Notre Dame faculty later.

He is a member of the International Free Academy of Science and Letters and has published articles in American, French and Hungarian political and legal periodicals.

Dr. Kertesz was a member of the agency representing the Hungarian government before the Mixed Arbitral Tribunals and the Permanent Court of International Justice.

The one-day retreat will be preached by the Rev. Thomas J. McDonagh, C. S. C., professor of economics at Notre Dame.

Frank Reynolds, a WBBM-TV announcer and Hammond Bishop Noll graduate, will be toastmaster for the dinner.

Reservations will be closed Sunday, March 7.

Bremen H.N.S. To Hear Talk By NCCM Director

Bremen — The men of St. Dominic's Holy Name Society, here, will have as their guest speaker at their March meeting, the Rev. Andrew Grutka, pastor of Holy Trinity Church in Gary, Indiana and Director of the National Council of Catholic Men in the Fort Wayne Diocese. The meeting will be held Tuesday, March 9, in the Rectory Hall at 8 p. m.

Reporting on other parish activities, the Altar and Rosary Society has donated \$100.00 towards the purchase of vestments and albs for the church. The donation was made possible after a successful Bake Sale held recently.

On the Youth Program side of the parish activities, a Juke Box-P.A. system has been purchased for the youth socials and other activities. P.A. system has been made possible as result of a recent benefit card party sponsored by the St. Ann's Guild of the Rosary Society.

A Marian Year project undertaken in St. Dominic's parish, also a Lenten self-denial project, is the erection of a statue of Our Lady of Grace on the church grounds between the church and the rectory. The statue will be purchased with the alms-self-denials saved up in the mite boxes during Lent for this purpose.

Central District NCCM Elects Brink; Plans Holy Hours

Fort Wayne — Carl Brink, of St. Jude's parish, was elected president of the Central District of the Fort Wayne Deanery of the National Council of Catholic Men during a breakfast meeting Sunday, February 28, at Queen of Angels Catholic Church.

The organization's name was changed from the United Holy Name, its former designation, by vote of those attending the meeting Sunday.

Other officers elected were Carl Loew, vice-president, St. Therese of Waynedale; Victor Bobay, of Queen of Angels parish, secretary; and James Robinson, of St. Joseph's parish, treasurer.

The Rev. William Faber, pastor of Queen of Angels Catholic Church, presided at the meeting. The Rev. Sebastian J. Kremer, pastor of the Church of the Most Precious Blood, spoke briefly.

The organization voted to sponsor the Holy Hours to be held the second Sunday of each month beginning March 14 at 2 p. m. at Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Cathedral Square. The Rev. Stanley Manoski, Central District moderator of the NCCM, will be active in arranging these programs.

Coming Events In The Diocese

The next regular meeting of the St. Rose of Lima Study Club of St. Peter's parish, Fort Wayne, will be held at the home of Mrs. Ray Hebb, 2502 East Pontiac Street, March 5, at 8 p. m.

On March 7, the Young Ladies Sodality of St. Mary's parish, Otis, will sponsor a party. Crochet and needle work will be given as prizes.

The Central Catholic high school Mothers' Club, Fort Wayne, will hold a rummage sale March 8, 9 and 10 at 1512 South Calhoun Street. Mrs. Walter Baron, chairman, has announced that articles may be brought to the above address on Sunday, March 7.

The Catholic Orphans Guild will hold their monthly meeting on March 12 at St. Patrick's Lyceum, Fort Wayne.

On all first Sundays of the month, a bake sale is held in St. Mary's school hall, Otis, sponsored by the Mothers' Guild of the parish.

Goods may be procured after the 8 o'clock Mass.

The Rosary Society of Precious Blood parish, Fort Wayne, will serve a Baked Ham dinner at the school hall on March 14 from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m. Creamed chicken and dessert will be included. Admission is \$1.00 for adults; 50c for children. The public is invited.

The Hibernians will hold their annual St. Patrick's Day celebration, March 17 with a dance at the Hotel Van Orman, Fort Wayne. John A. Devine is general chairman. The annual Hibernians' Mass and Communion Breakfast will be held at St. Patrick's church, March 14.

Under the joint sponsorship of the Rosary Sodality and the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's parish, Chesterton, an Irish Stew Dinner will be served March 17 in the school auditorium from 6 to 8 p. m. Admission is \$1.50 for adults; 75c for children. Cards and entertainment will follow the dinner.

St. Joseph's parish Altar and Rosary Society, South Bend, will sponsor a St. Patrick's Day desert-bridge in the school hall, March 17. Mrs. Thomas Getzinger and Mrs. Charles F. Christman are co-chairmen.

The Archconfraternity of the Blessed Sacrament of Holy Family parish, Gary, will sponsor a Bounce and Card Party for the Sisters of the parish at 7 p. m., March 18. The school is located at Delaware Street and Ridge Road. Refreshments will be served.

A Pillow Case Party will be sponsored by the Rosary Society of St. Mary's parish, Otis, on March 28.

Requiescant

MRS. M. GERTRUDE KINTZ
Fort Wayne — Mrs. M. Gertrude Kintz, 78, died last Friday at Parkview Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient for 10 days. Born in Decatur, Mrs. Kintz was a charter member of St. Andrew's Church, the Rosary Society, the Third Order of St. Francis and the Legion of Mary. Surviving are seven daughters, including Sister M. Alphonsilla, O.S.F., of Mishawaka; two sons, a brother, 62 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

MRS. MARTHA M. MILLER
Fort Wayne — Mrs. Martha Minnie Miller, 90, a native of Roanoke, died Thursday at a nursing home where she had been a patient since last November. She was a member of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Surviving are a daughter, a son, a foster daughter, two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

BERNARD O. PARENT
Fort Wayne — Bernard O. Parent, 55, died last Saturday at his home after a heart attack. A native of Adams County, he came to this city in 1919 and immediately went to work for the General Electric Co. Mr. Parent was a charter member of St. John the Baptist Church. Surviving are the widow, a brother and a sister.

MRS. HELEN M. LUPE
Fort Wayne — Mrs. Helen Margaret Lupe died last Saturday morning at her home after an extended illness. Born in Huntington, she was the daughter of the late Patrick and Margaret McCarthy. Her father was once Mayor of Huntington. Mrs. Lupe was educated at Sacred Heart Academy here and had resided in Fort Wayne since 1942. She was a member of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Surviving are the husband, a sister, a brother.

MRS. HELEN C. LADD
Fort Wayne — Mrs. Helen C. Ladd, 77, died last Saturday morning at the Parkview Memorial Hospital. She was a member of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Surviving are several nieces and nephews and a son.

JAMES P. BOYCE
Fort Wayne — James P. Boyce, 59, an employee of the Tokheim Oil Tank and

Day Of Recollection Set At Gary Parish

Gary — On Saturday, March 13, a Day of Recollection will be held for the men of Sacred Heart parish, here. It will begin with Mass at 10 a. m. and close with Benediction at 3 p. m. A luncheon will be served at noon.

Father Hamilton, O.M.I., a chaplain in the Armed Forces for many years, will conduct the conferences.

The committee will be on hand before and after each Mass on March 7 for the purpose of registration. Registrations can also be made by calling Stanley Zaborowski, 2-7429 or Robert Selvaggi, 3-1177.

Pump Co., died last week at St. Joseph Hospital. He was a member of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and its Holy Name Society. Surviving are the widow, a son, two daughters, two sisters, and two brothers.

Harry F. Kendzior, 75, St. Stanislaus, South Bend.

Arthur A. Schellinger, 70, St. Patrick, South Bend.

Dr. Bernard J. Bolka, 63, St. Anthony, South Bend.

Nicholas Krojnowski, 70, St. Casimir, South Bend.

Mrs. Walter R. Wroblewski, 65, St. Hedwig, South Bend.

Mrs. Mary G. O'Neil, 62, St. Matthew, South Bend.

Mrs. Clara M. Steger, 62, St. Jude, Fort Wayne.

Charles L. Buckley, 69, St. Jude, Fort Wayne.

Catechetical Congress
Tangier, North Africa—(NC)—The first catechetical congress ever held in this international city was climaxed by an open-air High Mass. Prominent school principles from Spain attended the congress.



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PLAN K. OF C. FOURTH DEGREE INITIATION — Preliminary plans for exemplification of the Fourth Degree in Lake County on May 8-9 are discussed by this group from Abraham Lincoln General Assembly Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus. Seated (left to right) are: Howard Feltzer of Hammond, general membership chairman; Faithful Navigator Albert Vinick of East Chicago; George Vomish of Hammond, general chairman. Standing are: Albert Ruzga, East Gary membership chairman; James Kinnane of Whiting, faithful captain and Peter Yesh of Gary, faithful pilot and chairman of the reception committee. The exemplification will be held in Gary. — Hammond Times photo.

New High School At Michigan City

Michigan City—The Rt. Rev. Msgr. E. H. Vurpillat last week turned the first shovel of dirt in ground-breaking ceremonies at the site of the new high school at his parish.

The new St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception high school is expected to be completed in about a year. It will be situated along Wabash street between 10th and 11th streets.

The new building will be

adjacent to and east of Marquette Hall and will occupy a little more than the north half of the vacant area there now.

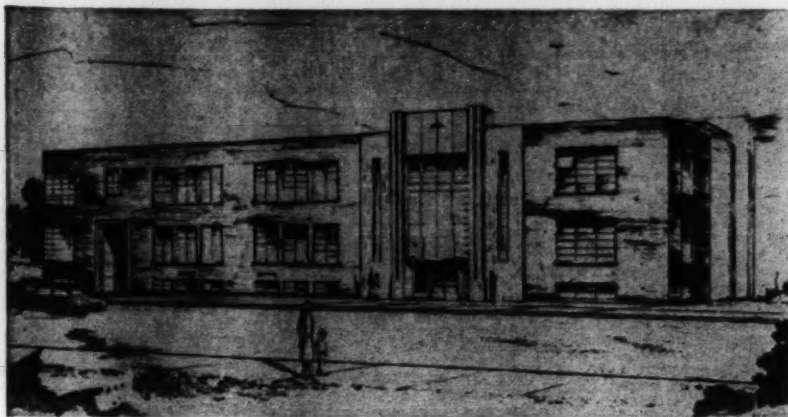
Upon completion of the new building, a two-storey structural steel and reinforced concrete structure, Marquette Hall, the present school building, will be re-modeled.

The present school building will then contain a cafeteria in the basement, a 480-seat auditorium on the first floor and two or three classrooms in the north half of the second floor.

The new building will provide facilities to accommodate 350 to 400 students. There will also be five rooms in a full basement under the new high school for club work and physical education classes.



PRONOUNCES VOWS — At the other end of the world, south of the equator, Sister Ann Walter of Michigan City, pronounces her final vows as a missionary Sister of Maryknoll on Sunday, March 7. Following her graduation from Maryknoll Teachers College in 1952, Sister Ann Walter left the Motherhouse for her mission in far off Chile where the Maryknoll Sisters have been introducing the parochial school system. Sister now is stationed in Santiago. Sister Ann Walter is the former Therese Ann Lisak, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Paul Lisak, 918 West 4th Street, Michigan City. A member of St. Stanislaus parish, she is a graduate of St. Stanislaus School and St. Mary's High. Before she entered Maryknoll in 1948 she was a student at St. Francis College, Fort Wayne.



Countess Of Listowel Says ...

Russian Leaders Will Only Recognize Force

Notre Dame — The Countess of Listowel, noted author and lecturer on Soviet Russia, urged that the west realize the Soviet leaders only recognize force, in her address last week on "The Post-Stalin Era" at St. Mary's College, here.

Lady Listowel also stressed the great power of prayer in combating communism throughout the world.

Editor of the weekly East Europe and Soviet Russia at London, England, the Hungarian-born authority on Soviet Russia described the members of the new Malenkov team and analyzed the reorganization of the Soviet government and administration. She pointed out that this regime has made "considerable concessions and consolidations in order to get the Russian population to carry on" after Stalin's death.

The Countess believes that this is a "waiting period" in which the Soviet is getting ready to put forth arms in greater strength. During this interim they must avoid world collision, she says, but they want to maintain what they already hold in Europe and the east, and they are determined to retain Moscow as the center of world communism.

"The Korean and Indo-China conflicts are particularly unsatisfactory to Russia," Lady Listowel declared, "since Russia must now share both territories with China." The Countess feels that is definitely not what the Soviet wants.

"We must try to understand what is going on behind the Iron Curtain," Lady Listowel emphasized, "and we must build a strong west to combat Soviet tyranny."

Paul F. Anders New President Of N.C.C.M. For South Bend Deanery

South Bend—Paul F. Anders of St. Michael's parish in Plymouth, is the new president of the National Council of Catholic Men of the South Bend deanery.

He was elected to the post here at the organization's second meeting. Others elected were: Vincent Doyle of St. Joseph Farm Parish, vice president; Elmer E. McLane, St. Vincent's of Elkhart, secretary; L. C. Beckerich, St. Joseph's of Mishawaka, treasurer; and Elmer J. Danesh of St. Matthew's, South Bend, auditor.

F. Kenneth Dempsey, diocesan chairman who resigned as president of the deanery group, reported on a conference with Archbishop John F. Noll regarding NCCM activity. He said plans were under way for a diocesan conference in August.

South Bend Druggists Will Cooperate In Comic Book Cleanup

South Bend — South Bend druggists will cooperate with a Parent-Teacher Association committee in investigating the influence of crime comic books in juvenile delinquency. The goal is to remove "harmful" comic books from drugstore shelves.

Mrs. William J. Black, distribution committee chairman of the PTA and president of the National Council of Catholic Women Deanery's National Organization for Decent Literature, pointed out that several druggists recently said they did not screen incoming comic books because of lack of time.

Mrs. Black said that 24 South Bend and 27 Mishawaka and Oshtemo druggists are now co-operating with Catholic women's groups who regularly inspect their comics supplies using as a standard a list of "undesirable" books.

Fallen Solon 'Thanks God' For Slight Wound In Shooting Spree

Washington—(NC)—"Thank God I don't need you, Father," Rep. George Fallon, of Maryland, greeted the Rev. Martin W. Christopher shortly after the shooting incident which rocked the House of Representatives earlier this week.

Fallon was one of five congressmen wounded when three Puerto Ricans opened fire from the visitors' gallery and sprayed the session with automatic pistols.

Father Christopher, assistant pastor at nearby St. Peter's Church, was on the scene in a matter of minutes and accompanied the fallen legislator to Casualty hospital.

Fallon the only Catholic among the five wounded, received a slug in the right cheek and was expected to recover satisfactorily.

Shouting "freedom for Puerto Rico," a reported three men and one woman pumped 25 to 30 slugs into the House Chamber before being overpowered by authorities.

Contribution Pledges To New High School Lagging \$350,000

South Bend—With only one month remaining of the two-year collection period, contribution pledges for the new St. Joseph high school here are lagging approximately \$350,000.

Rev. Curt A. Suelzer of St. Joseph's church in Mishawaka, who is treasurer of the high school, said that only 70.9 per cent of the \$1,200,000 pledged has been collected. Collections as of last week totaled \$851,200.46.

The classroom wing of the school was opened to students last September. Another wing, containing a gymnasium, cafeteria, vocational shops and other facilities, is now under construction.

The classroom wing cost approximately \$1,200,000, but costs have stayed within the estimates made before ground was broken.

He said that the Most Rev. John F. Noll, D.D., Archbishop-Bishop of Fort Wayne had advanced some funds for the classroom wing but pointed out that "the money that has been borrowed will have to be paid back. To make this possible, the pledges that have been made will have to be paid back."

The gymnasium wing of the building, now under construction, will cost in excess of \$700,000 but the school board planned no drive

for these funds although final plans for financing the gymnasium construction have not been formulated.

The completed Catholic high school plant will provide room for 1,600 students and the final cost will be more than 2 million dollars.

The gymnasium section of the building will be completed in time for the opening of school in September 1954.

Peter J. Schumacher & Sons, Inc., Mishawaka contractors, have the main construction contract.

Priest Honored

Rome—(NC)—A parish established in a poor section here through the efforts of an American priest remembered him at solemn rites on the fourth anniversary of his death.

Bishop Martin J. O'Connor, rector of the North American College here, celebrated a memorial Mass in the Church of St. Philip Neri in the Garbatella district for the late Msgr. Walter S. Carroll, a Pittsburgh priest who served for a decade with the Vatican Secretariate of State.

'Teamwork, The Key To Saving Souls,' New Crosier Vocation Book

Fort Wayne—"Teamwork" is the title of the new vocation booklet which was just published for this year's Vocation Month by the Crosier Fathers at Sacred Heart Seminary, here. The pocket-size booklet portrays with many pictures the inside story of the life of the Crosier Fathers and Brothers — how they work together as a team in saving souls.

The booklet begins with the average young American as he enters the minor seminary for his high school and junior college years. It leads him through the novitiate where he learns the Rules and Constitutions of the Crosier Order and experiences the daily trials and joys of Religious Life. With the pronouncement of his temporary vows at the end of his year of novitiate, "Teamwork" presents the young cleric as he travels, step by step, through the major seminary to his goal the Sacred Priesthood. Finally, it tells of the nature of these years of training—the Crosier priest's apostolate.

"Teamwork" also pictures the life of the Crosier Lay Brother, who often goes unseen, unheard, and unsung, but upon whose prayers and manual tasks or clerical

duties the ultimate success of the whole Order depends.

Teamwork — the ability of a group to work together for a single purpose—is a part of the heritage of the modern Crosier. While the Crosier priest preaches, the Crosier Brother prays; while the Crosier priest teaches, the Crosier Brother works.

Indeed, teamwork is the Crosier way of life, as it has been ever since Blessed Theodore de Celles founded the Crosier Order in 1211. Blessed Theodore had been a Crusader in the Holy Land, and when he founded his Order he put his military experience to good use by organizing his followers into groups or communities with the Cross as their emblem. He knew that teamwork was essential to community life, and so each monastery would be a team, a group of monasteries would form a large team, with the large teams banded together into one great magnificent team, the Crosier Order, which would have as its main objective the formation of each member into the likeness of Christ, while helping other people to be like Him too.



Teamwork: While the Crosier Father preaches ... the Crosier Brother prays.

The Voice of the

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Spiritual Activities For Marian Year

By MRS. JOSEPH JUNK

Do you have a Shrine of the Blessed Virgin in your home? It isn't too late to start one for this Marian Year. Place her image in the most prominent part of your home so that each time you pass it you will be reminded to say that Rosary or some aspiration. Perhaps you have some problem of the day—you will be surprised at the help you will get if, for just a moment, you will pause and talk it over with her.

In this Marian Year it is a pleasure to introduce a little book of inspiring modern reflections for your reading pleasure on the ancient mysteries of the Rosary prepared by a Trappist Monk for Father Peyton. In it the story of the mysteries is told as well as the method of reciting the Rosary. The prayers of the Rosary are given and 36 sets of reflections on the Mysteries are provided. The book is a convenient size and attractively bound and illustrated. This will make a particularly appropriate Marian Year gift. It is available from the Family Rosary, Inc. Albany 3, N. Y., at \$1.00 per copy.

We are once again reminded that on the following feast days during the Marian Year a plenary indulgence may be gained as often as a visit is made to a Church dedicated to the Blessed Virgin:

March 25—Annunciation; August 15—Assumption; September 8—Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; December 8—Immaculate Conception.

One of the nicest ways to honor Our Lady on these dates or on any Sunday in between would be with a family pilgrimage. Why not start the day with family attendance at Mass and Holy Communion. Following breakfast start on your pilgrimage, remember to say the official prayers at each Shrine or Church, then back home and end the day by the recitation of the Rosary before your Shrine. How delighted our Blessed Mother will be and what a wonderful blessing she will bestow on you her children.

Cathedral Sodality Announces
Annual Day Of Recollection

Thursday, March 11

Fort Wayne—An annual Day of Recollection will be sponsored by the Rosary Sodality of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. It will begin with a Mass at 9 o'clock on Thursday, March 11.

Mass will be followed with breakfast which will be served in the Cathedral Grade School gym. Hot coffee will be served at noon.

Conferences are scheduled to start at 10:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and at 1:00 p.m.

The Rev. Fred Westendorf, spiritual director of Central Catholic high school, will serve as retreat master. Ladies from other parishes are welcome. General chairman in charge of arrangements will be Mrs. J. Henry Hipskind.

The regular monthly meeting of the Cathedral Rosary Sodality will be held Sunday, March 7 after

Gary Rosary
Sodality Marks
Its 20th Year

Gary—Plans for a sodality at Gary's Croatian Church were first fulfilled February 25, 1934, at the then Holy Trinity Croatian Church at 2260 Adams Street.

On February 21, 1954, at St. Joseph's Church, 44th Avenue at Delaware St., the Holy Rosary Sodality celebrated its 20th anniversary.

In his sermon, the Rev. V. M. Ardas referred to the banner as "a symbol of peace. May those who gather around it pray to bring Christ back to the hearts of members, their families and to our struggling men of today," he said.

Mrs. Louis Bucko, president, gave the welcoming address at the banquet. Mrs. Matthew Tetek was Mistress of ceremonies.

In recognition as "charter members" the following women were presented with medals of the Most Holy Rosary: Mrs. John Jacovic, Mrs. John S. Bratina, Mrs. Dan Krpan, Mrs. George Mamuseak, Mrs. Nick Rukavina, Mrs. Thomas Fadlevic, Mrs. Matt Fadell, Mrs. Michael Rujevcan, Mrs. Imbro Yandrich and Mrs. Joseph Niksch.

Father Ardas concluded the banquet program. He said that the celebration of the sodality was a celebration of the world parish and that he was looking forward to the day when every woman of the parish would be grouped around the sodality banner to "work, struggle and pray for world peace."

Holy Hour at 3 o'clock. The meeting will be held in O'Leary Hall.

Members are requested to bring articles for the patients at the Veterans' Hospital. Supplies such as tooth paste, razor blades, soap, playing cards, cigarettes, candy, books and recent magazines will be accepted for the veterans.

St. Francis College
Guild Now Has A
Membership Of 375

Fort Wayne—During the 11 years since its inception, the membership of the St. Francis College Guild has increased almost five fold.

The membership now totals 375 members, it was revealed during a tea held in the college Trinity Hall with Mrs. Harry Hogan as hostess.

The guild was formed in 1944 to promote and foster the interests of the college, which a year earlier had been, at its opening ceremonies, dedicated to the complete and harmonious development of the individual in accordance with the principles of Christian education.

Besides working for the immediate needs of the college, guild members have worked to make the academic, social and cultural opportunities of the college better known and understood by the community.

Fr. Peyton TV Show
Wins Freedom Award

Rev. Patrick Peyton's Family Theater TV spot series, "Inspiration Please," was selected to receive the George Washington Honor Medal by the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge. Announcement of this distinguished award was made by Dr. Milton Eisenhower at the annual Washington's Birthday banquet at the Foundation's headquarters at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. See picture on page 1 of this week's religious section.

Brownie's Investiture

Fort Wayne—Investiture ceremonies were conducted for 13 members of Brownie Troop 319 at Queen of Angels School recently. Invested were Mary Ann Brendel, Peggy Prown, Karen Choka, Kathleen Connors, Rose Edsall, Cynthia Loraine, Therese Luke, Susan Markland, Julie Motherwell, Elizabeth Moylan, Rita Ricketts, Sharon Shimmle and Joyce Wiegand.

Pilgrimages Planned By
East Chicago NCCW

In keeping with observance of the Marian year, the East Chicago District National Council of Catholic Women will sponsor two pilgrimages during the coming year.

The first will be on "May Day" to Notre Dame at South Bend, Ind. The second is planned for the first Saturday in October and will be to Our Lady of the Lake Seminary at Wawasee, Indiana.

Chartered buses will be used for transportation. Further details and tickets will be in the hands of the parish representatives in the near future. Mrs. John Krajcic is chairman of district Spiritual Activities.

Panel On Vocations
Feature Of P.T.A.
Meet In South Bend

South Bend—The Holy Cross P.T.A. will hold its next meeting Tuesday, March 9 at 8:00 p.m. in the school auditorium. The liturgical theme of the evening will be "St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us."

There will be a short business meeting conducted by Mrs. William Parrish, president. A nominating committee will be appointed to prepare a slate of nominees for the coming election of officers in April.

Mrs. John Pedevilla is chairman of the program, which will center around vocational guidance for our children. A panel of 6 will present their views as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Leliaert, Christian Marriage True Vocation; the Rev. Bernard Mullary, C.S.C., The Catholic Priesthood; Brother Germaine Faddoul, C.S.C., The Religious Life—Its True Nature; Sister Charles Borromeo, C.S.C., The Steps in Becoming a Religious; and the Rev. Joseph Haley, C.S.C., The Dedicated Life in the World.

Remembered In Will

Fort Wayne—The Most Precious Blood Seminary at Carthage, Ohio and the St. Felix Monastery, Huntington, were made residuary legatees in the will and estate of

Michigan City Deanery To Hold
Next Meet Mar. 11 In Wanatah

Twenty-five members were present when the Michigan City Deanery Board of Directors met at St. Stanislaus club room in Michigan City.

Mrs. Albert Wozniak, president, reminded chairman of standing committees and parish chairmen that reports are due by April 1. A donation for the National Shrine at Washington, D. C. was made.

Plans were made for a meeting to be held at St. Peter's hall, La Porte, for the purpose of reorganizing District I. The date will be announced later. Mrs. Ralph McCarty was appointed temporary chairman.

The Rev. Louis Bozik, District No. 2 moderator spoke briefly on world affairs and the Rev. Theo. Fetting, deanery Moderator, remarked on the dignity of man as pertaining to youth.

Adam E. Yaste, who died February 18, which was admitted to probate in Superior Court No. 2. The estate is valued at \$11,000.

Golden Rose Dinner Set

South Bend—The March meeting of the Holy Cross Altar and Rosary Society was held on Wednesday evening, March 3rd, in the Social Rooms of the Church immediately after Ash Wednesday devotions. Mrs. John Pedevilla, President, presided at the business meeting, at which time the plans for the Golden Rose Dinner were discussed. It will take place on March 28th, Laetare Sunday, from 12 until 3 p.m. The annual Easter Monday Card Party was also discussed.

The next general deanery meeting on March 11, will begin with a Holy Hour at 7:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart church, Wanatah, continuing with the business session and program at the high school. Attorney Alban Smith, La Porte N.C.C.M. representative, will be the guest speaker. His topic will be, "Our Responsibility to Good Government."

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Our Critics Urged To 'Get The Facts'

Church's Official Teaching Tells Why And How We Honor Mary

THE AMERICAN LUTHERAN (February, 1954) criticizes the Marian Year, and objects to the request from the Holy Father that "those separated from us by ancient schism join in prayer for the intentions of the Pope, which are: true peace; liberation of the Church in countries where it is now un-

dergoing persecution, and an end of class hatreds." Would it be wrong for any one to pray for these things?

The editor refers to the Sacred Apostolic Penitentiary, which promulgated the special Indulgences which may be gained during the Marian Year.

The American Lutheran observed that "The Church of England, which seldom is aroused these days by the action of other Christians, came out with a strong statement on the prayer composed by the Pope for the Marian Year. It asked, in effect, whether the prayer meant that, in Roman Catholic theology, the Virgin Mary had replaced the third person in the Trinity as well as the second person."

It also quotes *The Christian Century*, which it says "wondered out loud whether many Roman priests must not reflect with anxiety 'on the booming popularity of the cult of the Virgin.'"

Then the editor of *The American Lutheran* makes more observations of his own: "Many Protestants are deeply concerned over these new developments in Romanism. They are concerned because they recognize the validity of the Roman baptism, and they acknowledge the role the Roman Church has played in the history of Western Christianity, of which they themselves are a part . . . On one day, it seems, our Roman Catholic friends put up posters

asking us to pray that all Christians may be one. On the next day they introduce a new teaching, to be believed on pain of eternal damnation, which does more to divide Christendom and

to draw it away from possible unity on the basis of its New Testament charter than all the cunning machinations of a hundred Communist parties could possibly accomplish."

Now what have we to say to all this? Just this, that none of our critics understand us. It is not a case of setting aside Christ in favor of Mary, but of going to Christ through Mary, Who, according to God's plan, came to us through her.

Mary is honored solely because of her relationship to Christ. The Archangel from Heaven told her that the Lord was with her (Luke 1:28); Elizabeth, under inspiration, called her "the mother of my Lord" (Luke 1:43).

If other human beings can pray for one another—and nobody doubts that—then why cannot Mary, Christ's own mother, the most perfect creature, pray to Him for us?

Mary's Apparitions

If our critics would only inspect the official liturgy of the Church, which many Protestant religious bodies copy, they would observe the way we go to God, namely, "through Jesus Christ our Lord." But we may ask Christ's own mother to place our petitions in her Divine Son's hands. In doing so, we are only following Christ's own exhortation: "Where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am in their midst" (Matt. 18:20). Could you think of any better one to join you in prayer than the mother of Jesus?

Does not the Bible tell us that "the prayer of him who humbles

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Our Weekly Chat With You

Dear Readers...

LET us together consider our close relationship to Almighty God despite His infinite majesty and other attributes. There are those who believe that because God is so majestic, He could not have any special interest in us. But that is not good reasoning. The fact that He created us and that the principal part of us will live as long as God will live, which is everlastingly, should be plentiful proof that He is deeply interested in us, not chiefly as His creatures, but as His adopted children and heirs to His eternal riches and glory.

Let us, in this Chat, recall the

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bigness or the majesty of God from the bigness of His creation, and then rightly conclude that His goodness, love, mercy and justice — all His perfections — are equally infinite.

With this in mind, we are not surprised that He came down from Heaven to be mankind's Savior; that He even died on the cross for the eternal interests of His children; that He invented a way of remaining on earth among us as long as the world would last. These and other things are nothing more than corollaries of God's unlimited goodness, mercy and love.

Let the infidel or the scientist make one only concession, namely, that the majesty and greatness of God cannot be denied because we see the evidence of it before our eyes, and we must admit His infinite goodness, mercy, love, justice. God cannot be only majestic; He must be good and loving and

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FOR FAMILY THEATER'S TV SERIES — The Family Theater has been awarded the Freedoms Foundation George Washington Honor Medal for its television series, "Inspiration Please."

The unique series of one-minute filmed TV Spots was produced by Rev. Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., producer of Family Theater and director of the Family Rosary Crusade. Used for morning sign-ons, station breaks and evening sign-offs, the series presents famed historical figures and their respective quotations concerning the value of prayer in daily life.

In making this notable award, Freedoms Foundation stated that the "Inspiration Please Series" represents "an outstanding achievement in helping to bring about a better understanding of the American Way of Life during 1953."

At the present time more than 250 television stations in the country are telecasting this series daily. The "spots" have been offered free of charge to all stations as a public service feature.

'Hi, Diddle, Diddle'

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Hi, diddle, diddle,
The cat and the fiddle,
The cow jumped over the moon.
The little dog laughed
To see such sport,
And the dish ran away with the spoon.

Remember how such jingles used to delight us as children? They appealed to us because even our undeveloped minds could recognize the spectacular disorder of the universe they set

forth. And, tired of our bothersome superiors, those dull grownups with their everlasting attention to order, we found a welcome escape in the unreal.

For it is unreal. If you will examine that bit of doggerel, you will find that everything mentioned is performing a supernatural act: the cat, the cow, the dog, and the dish. Super-

natural? you ask. What has the supernatural to do with anything outside mankind?—Let me explain:

Most people think that "supernatural" has to do with the other world. It evokes thoughts of spooks and ghosts and phantoms, and is best described by such adjectives as "eerie," "weird," "fantastic."

Actually the word has a very precise and matter-of-fact meaning. It comes from the Latin *super*, meaning "above," and *nature*—hence, "above nature."

What Is 'Nature'?

But let's take a farther step. What is "nature"? It is nature that tells us what a thing is, that answers the question "What are you?" Thus if I were to ask you that question, you would answer "I am a human being." In other words, "I have human nature."

When we raise our face to the heavens and call out, "What are you up there?"—the answer comes back, "I am God"—divine nature. We ask our cat, "What are you?"—and he answers, "I am an animal," and so forth.

So, as we look at the universe, we can observe a hierarchy of natures rising from the

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For High Schools And Discussion Clubs

The Eucharist—Wonderful Yet So Reasonable

ACCORDING to Catholic teaching the Eucharist is a Sacrament which contains the true body and blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ under the appearances of bread and wine.

The non-Catholic who hears this point of belief enunciated for the first time is inclined to wonder how Catholics can be brought to believe so extravagant and incredible a doctrine. We answer him

by saying that the doctrine of the Eucharist is seemingly incredible only to one who is unprepared to believe it, either because it is Catholic, or because the doctrine has never been properly presented to him.

How many facts of nature, and how many accepted facts of history are more extravagant, but fail to elicit our surprise because we have often heard them stated?

When scientists teach things seemingly incredible, we say, "I believe," without trying to investigate. If we were only half as ready to believe truths of faith on the authority of God Almighty Himself, there would be little difficulty about mystery.

A religion coming from God, a religion supernatural, must possess some truths (the surprise is

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RIGHT or WRONG

Editors' views on current
events and others' comments

What Does Freedom Of Worship Mean?

OVER here it seems to mean in the minds of many aggressive Protestant churchmen the freedom to attack and insult, misrepresent and libel the Catholic Church. At least many leading Protestant churchmen have organized to do that very thing.

We have seen a report on Emmett McLoughlin's address at the January annual convocation of the POAU. One can read insults in nearly every paragraph and misrepresentations throughout.

The Catholic Hierarchy is represented by the POAU as a compact united group of Catholic churchmen who endeavor to foster a union between Church and State, to destroy the public schools, to unite Catholic strength in our large cities for political purposes, etc., etc. The fact is that members of

the Catholic Hierarchy think alike only in relation to matters which they know belong to the category of faith and morals. Otherwise they are in no sense united; one does not even know how the other one votes. While an annual meeting is held by the Catholic Bishops of the United States no one is obligated to attend; no one is bound by any majority opinion or decision. The Bishops' organization is called the National Catholic Welfare Conference. It is a voluntary organization, and each Bishop is wholly independent in his own particular diocese. The matter of organized Protestant hostility towards their Church is never even discussed at the Bishop's meetings.

But what Protestant churchmen falsely charge the Catholic Hierarchy with doing, they are actually doing themselves, and in the most unscrupulous manner, because they sanction misrepresentations and falsehoods. In the past they have ever cooperated with those who fabricated "fake" oaths, and charged that the Jesuits and the Knights of Columbus took such oaths.

Today a dozen publishers are circulating tracts which deal with so-called ex-nuns who were never nuns, such as Maria Monk, Margaret Shepherd, Mabel McClish—imposters who have been dead for a hundred years, yet the reader is left under the impression that they are living and active today.

We are reminded of these things because the leader of the Liberal Party in the Province of Quebec recently supported a Government Bill which would punish any one who would "be guilty of abusive and insulting acts against any religion or denomination."

The Premier of Canada, the Attorney General of the Province, in introducing the Bill said: "Quebec has always given to the rest of Canada a great example of the freedom of worship, of the respect for the rights of minorities in religious beliefs."

The occasion for the introduction of such a Bill was the activities of the Jehovah Witnesses, "who were interned in concentration camps during the war, and who have become, through their activities, real public nuisances."

The leader of the Liberal Party declared "insults are not the expression of freedom, and freedom of speech should not be invoked in their behalf."

In Russia freedom of worship is only a pretense, but the Russian constitution, for propaganda purposes, guarantees "freedom of religion and freedom of anti-religious propaganda." The former is not guaranteed except to the Orthodox Church, which has become a right arm of Communism; but the latter is of every day occurrence through the government's own controlled radio and newspapers—which means that anti-religious propaganda is official. Should the so-called Christian countries introduce the Russian tactics?

Unfortunately because of the country-wide agitation of the organized group, to which we have referred, anti-Catholic propaganda has been substituted for Protestant teaching.

Go over the history of our entire nation and find a single example of attacks on Protestantism by an organized group of Catholics; cite a single instance where any particular denomination was singled out for attack from a Catholic pulpit, or insulted and misrepresented in the Catholic press. We have treated the charges listed above separately on many occasions and, therefore, there is no



PATRIOT OF THE YEAR—Notre Dame's new "Patriot of the Year Award" to J. Edgar Hoover was accepted by Harvey G. Foster (second from right), his personal representative, at the 105th annual Washington's Birthday exercises on the campus. Foster is special agent in charge of the FBI's Boston office and a former president of the Notre Dame Alumni Association. Foster read Hoover's address which paid tribute to the 124 Notre Dame graduates in the FBI. Others participating in the traditional program were (left to right) William Guilfoille, Fond Du Lac, Wisc., president of the senior class; Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C., executive vice-president of Notre Dame; and Thomas Field, Wilmington, Del., president of the Student Senate.

O.S.V. Will Have Second Marian Year Pilgrimage

RESPONDING to the overwhelming enthusiasm which greeted the announcement of the 4th Annual Pilgrimage of Our Sunday Visitor to Marian Shrines of Europe, OSV will sponsor a second Marian Year Pilgrimage Tour departing June 23 from New York aboard the world's largest luxury liner, the RMS Queen Mary and returning there on the new green-hued luxury cruise ship, the SS Carolina.

Visiting Ireland, England, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy, and France, the 53 day tour offers cabin class accommodations for the all inclusive tour price of \$1465. First class arrangements are available at a price of \$1723.

In addition to the trans-Atlantic steamship fare these all inclusive prices cover reservations on all trains, rooms at hotels, meals, sightseeing, the services of a tour-escort and sightseeing guides, and visits to all points included in the itinerary. It also includes the handling of all baggage transfers and gratuities on board. Tour

need to notice them anew. Catholics would be able to win a victory before any unprejudiced jury, on the false charges leveled against them of intolerance, meddling in politics, interference with our public schools.

arrangements will be handled by the American Express Travel Services.

Visiting shrines of Our Lady at Knock, Walsingham, Einsiedeln, and Lourdes, it features a visit and special ceremonies for the pilgrimage members at Our Lady of the Snows in Rome, the Shrine to which His Holiness Pope Pius XII especially invited all the Faithful in his "Fulgens Corona."

Enroute tour members will visit such world renowned cities of Dublin, London, Paris, Avignon, Nice, Pisa, Rome, Assisi, Florence, Venice, Milan, Lucerne, and Brussels.

During the Irish portion of the tour, in addition to Knock and Dublin, pilgrims will visit such famous places as Galway Bay, the Lakes of Killarney and Cork. They will have an opportunity to kiss the famous Blarney Stone.

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Because of the short time left before sailing OSV readers interested in joining this high-season offering are advised to contact Our Sunday Visitor or their nearest American Express office or travel agent immediately to insure their participation in this outstanding Marian Year pilgrimage.

Some first class reservations are still available on the July 6 Marian Year Pilgrimage-Tour, sailing on the RMS Mauretania.

So Short A While

So short a while since Christmas Day, yet Lent is drawing near. How brief the joyous childhood of the Christian year! Indeed how short a time Our Lord lived ere He died. Almost in the Christ Child's hands we see nail-marks of the Crucified. But Easter swiftly follows Lent, our exultation ere our tears are spent.

Inventor Prayed

I pray every morning and every night that the day will soon come when this machine which I shared in creating will be used only for peaceful errands of commerce and friendship, and not for destruction of life and treasure.—Orville Wright.

Personal To Women With Nagging Backache

Nagging backache, loss of pep and energy, headaches and dizziness may be due to slow-down of kidney function. Doctors say good kidney function is very important to good health. When some everyday condition, such as stress and strain, causes this important function to slow down, many folks suffer nagging backache—feel miserable. Minor bladder irritations due to cold or wrong diet may cause getting up nights or frequent passages. Don't neglect your kidneys if these conditions bother you. Try Doan's Pills—a mild diuretic. Used successfully by millions for over 50 years. It's amazing how many times Doan's give happy relief from these discomforts—help the 15 miles of kidney tubes and filters flush out waste. Get Doan's Pills today!

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A Defense Of 'Strike It Rich'

THERE has seldom been such wholesale condemnation as has been directed in the last few weeks against the radio-TV production, "Strike It Rich." The criticisms have been violent and their sources have ranged from Walter Winchell to the Jesuit Fathers who edit America. Virtually every TV columnist and many of the national magazines have lambasted the program in language not marked by temperance or charity. In New York City, one of the metropolitan officials filed a formal complaint against the program—carefully timing his news blasts to coincide with the newsstand appearance of an article he'd written for a national magazine.

The weight of the criticisms and the stature of some of the critics makes me give thought to their charges but after viewing the program again several times and thinking it over carefully, I believe they are wrong and I believe I know why they are wrong.

The editors of America thought the program an insult to human dignity. This makes me wonder how often the editors watched the program before they condemned it. I've seen the show at least a hundred times and never once have

I seen anyone treated in a manner that lessened in any way his human dignity.

I'm sure the editors of America aren't falling into the error of thinking, as some of the critics do, that there is *per se* an evil in asking for help. A man too proud to ask for help when he needs it is simply too proud. We are all dependent on one another and the man who does not recognize this but proudly asserts he gets along all by himself is a man blind.

The New York City official who protested against the program said that we have social agencies to give help to those who need it and that such programs destroy the work these agencies are trying to do.

I'm glad we do have social agencies and I appreciate the excellent work they are doing but if anyone wants to keep an eye on a place where human dignity may be destroyed it would be well to watch a current trend in thinking that makes men think everything should be done by agencies. There are too many people who think they can give \$20 to a united appeal fund and that fulfills all obligations they have to their neighbors. The modern Cain would not answer God by asking Him if he was his brother's keeper. He'd merely refer Him to the proper agency.

But the truth about "Strike It Rich" is that in almost every case the aid sought is something that social agencies could not provide. I say "almost" because there may have been exceptions. Since the criticisms have begun I've watched the show carefully and not one of the appeals would have been answered by a social agency.

Many of the critics talk about a soap company profiting off human miseries. It is both cynical and uncharitable to decide that the sponsors of the program have no sincere desire to help those who come to them. Naturally, the program is sponsored to create an interest in a product but it is not beyond my comprehension that a firm might actually want to do a service. The cynics who think otherwise may be perfectly sincere but I learned a long time ago to keep my hand on my pocketbook in the presence of people who are suspicious of every one else's motives.

So far as Warren Hull, the master of ceremonies for the program, is concerned, he has been mistreated outrageously by many of the critics. They picture him as an insincere man making a living by parading human derelicts before the microphones. As a fellow who remembers Warren Hull from his Warner Brothers pictures days, I can assure you he isn't that good an actor. I'd stake my bottom dollar on his sincerity.

It seems to me "Strike It Rich" does one real service. It reminds people of their obligations to their neighbors. A great many people live walled in against the miseries of the world. They don't want to be bothered. If someone is in need then they want it taken care of by governmental agencies and it there are no governmental agencies for this particular need then they want new ones created.

My own work in the years I've been a Catholic has always thrown me close to the needs of my fellowman. Usually these aren't things that an agency can do but they are things I as a neighbor can do. Sometimes the help we can give is material—as for example, the stranger who was weeping and we learned it was because her father had died and she had no money to go the 500 miles to the funeral. We had it, loaned it for a little while and received from it a valued friendship. Sometimes the need is spiritual—as the stranger who just wanted someone to talk to him for a little while and I taught him how to make the sign of the cross and he made it before dying two days later. Sometimes it is both spiritual and material—as it was for the worried woman who needed a friend to show her the way out of great problems and got that friendship from my wife.

"Strike It Rich" should be reminding people that all about them there are those who need them. In many cases the need can be handled by an agency and that is well and good. But there is no agency that can dispense love and it is love that many a neighbor needs most.

I have an idea that "Strike It Rich" is being blasted because there are those who think that aid for the needy should be divorced from all sentiment. They want to do it efficiently. I'm glad for the work of the agencies but I hope no one forgets that charity has meaning in love of God and love of our fellowmen, seeing God in them.

So I for one—so far as I know I'm the first columnist to do it—want to defend "Strike It Rich." The other critics may be against me but I have an idea the vast majority of the three million people who read this paper will agree with me.

What's more, I think "Strike It Rich" can do the people good. If it can blast them out of the complacency. If it can make them feel a little of the pain in their neighbor's hearts. If they can gain compassion by recognizing the need about them.

But is the program degrading, does it destroy human dignity? I think it could not for those who think rightly.

There is no difference between you and me and the man in greatest need. We are all dependent on one another. Today you need my help, tomorrow I need yours. Today perhaps both of us can help another, tomorrow we will need his help. No man makes himself less by asking another for help. But the man, who seeing another in need thinks this need makes the man less than himself is a fool. All of us need one another and no man can exist to himself alone. And if by God's goodness a man never suffers bodily need, he must be reminded that every breath he takes is a gift he has not deserved.

I think the trouble with the critics of "Strike It Rich" is that they are separating themselves from reality. As for myself, I've never seen a person on "Strike It Rich" who could not have been me.

CINERAMA—This revolutionary film method is available now in only a few cities but if you live in or visit a city that features it, you will find it well worth your while. Cinerama doesn't offer three dimensions but it does give the viewer a sense of participation that cinemascope and the 3-D films do not.

Without going into technical details, three projectors are used to

give you three different pictures that piece together to give you a range of vision roughly equal to what you actually see in real life.

Cinerama tells no story but only offers a series of scenes. The first scene quickly illustrates the qualities of the medium. You are taken on a roller coaster ride and when I say taken I mean it. It would be impossible for you to watch the scene without a sense of movement. Now a roller coaster ride is not my idea of amusement but Cineraama offers it so graphically that whether I liked it or not, I was convinced I had been on a roller coaster ride.

There are some technical imperfections but I have no doubt these will be corrected. Sometimes there is distortion where the three pictures join. Sometimes one of the pictures is brighter than others. But I'll not quibble about these things.

I do seriously wonder, though, if Cineraama can be used effectively to tell a story. It seems to me that the physical sense of participation the medium makes you feel might well work against your imaginative sense of participation. As films are now a viewer unconsciously identifies himself with the action and the participants. With Cineraama the viewer becomes a participant.

I'm not saying this will mean Cineraama won't be able to tell a story but I am going to have to be shown. In the meantime, the Cineraama people have announced their next picture will be another episodic collection.

As for the episodes of the current edition, they are interesting and educational—a good combination. You visit a variety of world landmarks and see a variety of interesting things.

I highly recommend it for everyone as an interesting and exciting experience.

HEIDI (United Artists)—This is a pleasant little family picture of a familiar child's story. Imported from Europe, the dubbing of English is skillful enough not to bother and the scenery in the Alps is something to behold. The children will probably like it and so may you.

HIS MAJESTY O'KEEFE (Warner Brothers)—Burt Lancaster is an excellent rough and tumble actor. This film is a man's adult fare with lots of action. It isn't something you'd mind missing but you'd like it all right if you saw it.

NEXT WEEK I'll be reviewing "The Long, Long Trailer" and "The Glenn Miller Story" with some

thoroughness but if they are already playing in your area, both films are well worth your while.

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Briefs

THE Bruce Publishing Company of Milwaukee has announced the forthcoming publication, in April, of *Kateri of the Mohawks* by Marie Cecilia Buehrle. The biography is a fresh retelling of the inspiring life of the Mohawk virgin, Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha. It portrays the development of her remarkable purity, her voluntary penance for the bestiality of her tribe, and her love of God in the midst of the savagery and immorality around her.

Two little books of prayers for young men and women by Dom Hubert Van Zeller, O.S.B., have been published in this country by Templegate Press, Springfield, Ill. Issued originally in England, the books are engagingly written "prayer material for almost anybody between the ages of, say, 12 to 20." There are the customary prayers for stated times like morning or evening, or during Mass, but particularly interesting are those prayers for "Various Occasions."

In *Lord God*, for instance, there are prayers to be said by young men before and after a match, before and after an examination, for someone we dislike, etc.

The variety of prayers for various occasions in *Come Lord*, for young women, is even greater. Thus, there is a prayer to cure a really bad temper; before a party which promises to be dull; after a party which has been dull; before visiting a dentist, bone-setter, wound-dresser, or other pain-inflicter; prayer after the visit in question; when feeling homesick; when travelling; before an inter-

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view which promises to be unpleasant; and the like. These prayers are disarmingly simple, sometimes amusing, and always as conversational as prayer should be.

The price for each small prayer-book, *Lord God*, for boys, and

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. M. A. Schumacher, pastor of St. Nicholas Church, Aurora, Ill., is the author of a new novel centering about the life of a young priest. *The High Journey* (Exposition Press, 386 Fourth Ave., N.Y., \$3.00) is a realistic portrayal of the priesthood as seen through the trials, temptations, and material and spiritual successes of Father David Brant. It is a mature and well-crafted work which stirs and keeps alive interest in Father Brant as "a being starkly human assaying a role 'little less than the angels,' attempting high deeds that ordinarily exceed the powers of the nature within us."

Another novel received is *Enchanted Dawn* by Anne Dee (The Meador Press, Boston, \$2.50). Not distinguished from a literary standpoint, it is a piously sincere attempt to show the role of the saints in affecting human lives. In the case of Clayton Brooks, whose story is related, it is St. Anne who straightens out the tangled skeins of his life.

Redemptive Incarnation (\$2.50) is the title of a new book issued by Ave Maria Press, Notre Dame, Indiana. The study, by Father Albert Schlitzer, C.S.C., is a collection of Christian Source Literature

on the Incarnation, designed particularly for college courses. These sources include documents of the Church, pertinent texts from Scripture, passages from the Fathers of the Church, and further elaborations of theologians.

Insisting that the sources should be handled as live material, Father Schlitzer writes, "They are not mere memory pieces, but food for thought. They are an invitation and a challenge to think." The material is presented in such a way that it is, as Father Schlitzer says, out of the textbook type and a cross between the pure lecture form and free-for-all discussion.

Books Received

The Apostolic Itch, Vincent J. Giese, Fides Publishers, 21 W. Superior, Chicago, \$2.75.

Immortality, Alton J. Smith, Prentice-Hall, Inc., 70 5th Ave., New York City, \$3.00.

The Philosophy of Being, Rt. Rev. Louis De Raeymaeker, Ph.D., B. Herder Book Co., St. Louis, \$4.95.

The Kingdom is Yours, P. Forestier, SM., Fides Publishers, Chicago, \$3.50.

Our Weekly Chat With You

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merciful to the same degree, as He is.

The earth on which we live is only a speck in God's vast creation. In the Milky Way alone more stars have been counted than there are people on the face of the earth and some of these stars have a diameter of a million miles. There are stars so far away from us that it required the light of many of them thousands of years to reach the earth, yet light travels at the rate of 186,000 miles a second.

The sun which warms the earth, and which contributes to the growth of everything which we eat, is a hundred thousand times larger than our earth, and is 93,000,000 miles away from us. All the heavenly planets and even the stars whirl rapidly around their own axis and into space, yet there has never been a single collision. This proves not only the vastness of the universe, but also the wisdom of its Maker.

We are, of course, puny before God's immensity, yet because He fashioned our souls according to His own image, and made them immortal like Himself, they are of extreme value in God's eyes, and of incalculable value to ourselves. God's interest in us is unselfish, because He would be just as happy throughout all eternity whether we ever lived or not, or whether we ever reach our destiny or not. It is we who shall not be happy, and shall fail to gain our eternal destiny unless we worship and reverence and love Him above all else.

Since we are absolutely dependent on God for everything, we are fools if we run even a risk of offending Him.

St. Francis of Assisi, when asked by the companions of his youth how he could take it upon himself to forego the inheritance of a rich father, how he could dress in rags and get away from the pleasures of the world, answered: "I am the son of a King, the son of the greatest King, I am the son of God. After considering this relationship should I not live entirely for Him, and be made extremely happy by knowing that He holds me in favor?"

Next week we shall show how the infinite goodness of God should be repaid by us.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
THE EDITORS

'St. John Of God'

ST. JOHN OF GOD by Norbert McMahon. McMullen Books. N.Y. 205 pp. \$2.75.

St. John of God is not one of those saints who has a great popular following. Yet his name has been perpetuated for 400 years by the Hospitaller Brothers of St. John of God. His special niche in the Communion of Saints is as patron of the sick and dying, of nurses and hospitals. In addition Catholic booksellers have taken him as their patron. These facts should whet interest in this new biography of him.

John Ciudad was born in Portugal three years after Columbus discovered America. The only child of humble parents, he unaccountably ran away from home at eight. He became a soldier in the Spanish army, leading a dissolute life until a brush with death caused him to repent. From then on he wandered from Spain to Portugal

to North Africa and back to Spain again. Becoming a dock worker, he invested his wages in books, and having no money to rent a shop put his bookstore on his back and walked from village to village.

A mysterious message from a child told him, "John of God, Granada shall be thy cross." So to Granada he went. There his manner of publicly repenting his sins caused him to be sent to a hospital for the insane. His experiences in this asylum pointed to him his destiny as servant of the sick poor. At 45 he founded his first hospital and gradually attracted a group of Brothers to aid him. This was the beginning of the religious order which today continues his work. He died in 1555 and was canonized in 1691.

This was the life of St. John of God, told reverently and literally by Norbert McMahon.

Our Child... God's Child

OUR Child... God's Child by Mary Lewis Coakley. Bruce Publishing Co. Milwaukee. 233 pp. \$2.25.

There comes a time in every mother's life when she wonders what kind of job she is doing in rearing her children. The Catholic mother particularly, if she is conscious of the most important duty of her vocation, asks herself if she is successfully directing her children in the way of goodness. There is no pat formula for being a good mother, but the right attitude towards motherhood itself is the first step.

The title of Mary Lewis Coakley's new book, *Our Child... God's Child*, shows what that attitude should be. "We are," writes Mrs. Coakley, "but the custodians of God's children, stewards working for Him."

The overtone of this book is spiritual. All the problems of child-rearing are examined under the aspect of eternity. But Mrs. Coakley is not piously preachy, nor off-guard in her advice. This isn't a book of meditations. It's a case-by-case guidebook touching just about everything that can come up in family life.

Mrs. Coakley considers all the topics expected in a work of this sort, such as handling the child from one to 20, sex education and the like. In addition she gives attention to such subjects as physically and intellectually handicapped children, the home disrupted by death or divorce, the spiritual and physical hazards to boys in service, war marriages, in-law troubles, and parental objections to religious vocations.

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Luther Movie Doesn't Help Brotherhood Or Tolerance

FOR a century there have been in our country some organizations whose chief purpose it is to poison the American people against the Catholic segment, yet they have been the loudest in their preachments of brotherhood, tolerance, and patriotism.

A month ago we copied in this paper an editorial written by Neil Battle Lewis for the *News and Observer*, of Raleigh, North Carolina. It dealt with the movie *Martin Luther*, which was criticized severely for its malicious propaganda purposes, and which was so untimely, since our countrymen need to be more unified rather than divided and antagonized.

That editorial reached Barden Mace, President of the Louis de Rochemont Associates, the company that produced the *Martin Luther* picture, and he wrote the columnist that it was "produced in the interests of brotherhood and tolerance."

We have shown the picture to be "unhistorical, un-Biblical and unfair," and it was certainly not intended to promote brotherhood and tolerance.

Miss Lewis was not impressed by the letter from Mr. Mace, President of the Louis de Rochemont Associates. It only impelled her to go to see the picture again. She said that when the picture was shown in Raleigh it had the support of a number of Protestant ministers who advertised it in their churches, backed by great pressure. She says she has a copy of the booklet of direction for the promotional campaign for this picture sent out to all exhibitors by the producers, and she calls it "one of the most interesting, not to say fascinating, publications that I have ever perused. It is directed to Protestant clergymen, editors, heads of the 'Y,' and other social service agencies, professors of his-

tory, drama, speech and music, at local colleges, leaders of women's clubs, and heads of the church institutions and boards.

She continues: "Very detailed 'do's and don'ts' are explicitly set forth for the exhibitors. It is impossible for me to escape the conclusion that this booklet was prepared by hands old and long-skilled at propaganda. In its way, the booklet of instruction is a little masterpiece."

"The more I find out about the *Martin Luther* picture and its producers, the more intrigued I become. I feel sure that future productions by Mr. Mace's company will be well worth seeing. I trust that none of them catch me nap-

ping. Ever alert to 'brotherhood and tolerance'—that's me!"

In our country many Protestants have been actually organized, like the Ku Klux Klan was organized, to divide and not to unite American citizens. But Catholics have never been organized to fight Protestantism. Since no Catholic motion picture has ever been produced to attack any organization, since in all her teachings the doctrine of Christ that we must "love our enemies" is actually emphasized, are we not right in saying that the Catholic Church and her members practice without any fanfare what others are preaching and do not practice?

The Eucharist

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that there are not more) that finite man cannot see through.

What if you heard for the first time what astronomers teach concerning the number and magnitude of the heavenly bodies; that there are hundreds of millions of other worlds, thousands of times larger than our own; that the sun is 100,000 times larger than the whole earth, and 93,000,000 miles distant from it? Should their teaching be easier of acceptance than the teaching of the Church concerning the Eucharist?

What if you heard for the first time the story of God becoming man, living on earth for 33 years and dying a malefactor's death for His creatures? Would not such a fact be more difficult to accept than, after granting it, to believe as we do concerning the Eucharist? Yet all Christians must believe this fact of history.

The most stupendous facts, like those mentioned, cease to be astonishing and unreasonable to one who has grown accustomed to hear them stated, and Catholics find less difficulty in accepting the Eucharist than in assenting to many of the declarations of science. We all believe that God became man. But it should be more difficult to believe this than, after accepting it, to believe that He provided the means for remaining on earth among men, and even to become food for their souls.

Is it a sign of over-credulity to accept what was the constant and universal belief of Christians for 1500 years? To accept what three-fourths of all the world's Christians believe today? To believe what is supported by stronger scriptural authority than any other point of Christian belief?

Only the small minority of Christians, the one-fourth, do not believe as we do, and they form the more recently-founded denominations. The old Christian sects of Asia, the Copts, Syrians, Chaldeans, Armenians, Nestorians, Eutyrians, as also the Greek, the Russian and other Orthodox churches (not to say anything of the large number of Episcopalians) believe as do Catholics in this matter, and present a very strong argument in favor of the real presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist. These sects antedate Protestantism by 1,000 years.

Let us call your attention to several other considerations which help greatly towards the accept-

ance of the Catholic belief in the Holy Eucharist:

1) God is infinite in His every perfection; therefore His love must be infinite; therefore we cannot conceive of His love going too far; therefore it did not go too far when He instituted the Eucharist. Of His love God Himself says: "I have loved thee with an everlasting love" (Jer. 31:3); "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son" (John 3:16). And this Son of God expresses the infinity of His love in these strong words: "As the Father hath loved me, so I have loved you" (John 15:9). God the Father certainly loved the Son with an infinite love, and Christ says that His love for us is just as limitless. St. John speaking of Christ's love, says: "Having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them unto the end," i. e., to the last limit His love could go.

2) Not only is God's love infinite; it is also a personal love. "I have loved thee" with an everlasting love; "I have redeemed thee" and called "thee" by name; "thou" art mine. Christ loved "me" and delivered Himself up for "me." So many of Christ's parables, notably those of the "Good Shepherd," "Good Samaritan" and "Prodigal Son" lay stress on the personal nature of God's love for us. Human love is personal, and Christ compares His love to human love: "Can a mother forget her child?" . . . Even so I shall not forget thee. Now perfect and personal love must tend to union with the object loved.

Grace

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lowest to the highest. At the bottom we have just plain "things"—like stones, rugs, and dishes. They have no life, they can't feel, they can't think. They have existence—and that's about the most we can say for them.

Next in order are living things—plants—like cabbages and dandelions and maple trees. They have it all over stones, rugs, and dishes. The plants grow and reproduce themselves. But they can't feel anything, nor can they move about. We can kill a tree by hacking at it with an axe, but it won't feel any pain.

Above plants we have the animals. Like things they have existence; like the plants they have life; but they are one up on both those categories: they have feeling. If we accidentally step on a dog's tail he will yelp and howl. He feels it. He can move around and, in a sense, express his feelings and instincts. He whines, growls, barks.

Taking another step upward, we come to mankind. Man has existence, he lives, and he feels, but in addition man can think. He philosophizes and with the power of thought he has learned to control his surroundings. When it's cold, he builds a fire. When it's warm, he turns on his air-conditioner.

Above mankind are the angels. They are all spirit. In fact, man is a sort of halfway-house between the animals and the angels.

And at the top of the pyramid we have God, the infinite, the supreme Ruler of the universe.

Now we human beings are somewhat snobbish in our social relationships. The whole world was invited to celebrate the coronation of Queen Elizabeth last year, but precious few got inside Westminster Abbey. Millions of us

voted Mr. Eisenhower into office, but there won't be many of us having supper with him at the White House.

However, our snobbishness is nothing compared with the rigid class barriers existing between the several rungs of creation. Each creature is bound to stay within the limits of its own nature. Thank God! What would we think if we were to get up tomorrow morning and find that overnight our alarm clock had come alive, was now a brilliant green, and was sporting a blossom for a minute hand? If we were to find that our dresser had had pups overnight and was now presiding over a litter of three or four baby dressers? What if, when we took the cat by the scruff of the neck and tried to put him out, he would give us an argument and the matter would end with the cat picking us up by the back of the neck and hustling us out the door? We'll often watch a maddening horse, but thank God we'll never live to see a horse saddling a man!

If such things could happen, the various creatures would be exceeding their nature, performing supernatural acts. And that's why I say

that the cat, the cow, the little dog, and the dish in "Hl, diddle, diddle" were acting on what was for them a supernatural plane.

Now you understand the meaning of the word "supernatural." In our writings and sermons, we priests often use the word—never carelessly, always in that precise meaning just explained—but forgetting sometimes that our readers and listeners may have only a fuzzy understanding of the term. But now you know.

And when we read that "Grace is a supernatural gift of God" we understand at once all that that implies. It is something that exceeds our nature, like being able to jump over the moon. We could conceivably learn to speak Hebrew or write Sanskrit, we could acquire the ability to clog-dance or stand on our ear, but we could never, never acquire the marvelous powers conferred on us by grace. For grace makes us children of God and brothers of Jesus Christ. It gives us the ability literally to jump over the moon, to jump even higher than the moon, to jump right into heaven and land on our own two feet!



GOD LOVE YOU

Most Reverend

Fulton J. Sheen

HOW would we react to a persecution in America, if such a cross were ever given to us? A European writer recently stated that we would fail because we believe in a "Catholicism without crisis," that is, in a religion without a Cross. We wish that writer could read the thousands of letters we receive every day from our faithful who deny themselves luxuries and necessities in order to make a sacrifice for the Holy Father's Missions. These friends of The Society for the Propagation of the Faith are already "martyrs" in spirit.

Our children would react to persecution as the Chinese children are doing now. One young girl about nine years of age was asked to "renounce the imperialistic priests." The persecutors said to her: "Your choice is between signing and denying your country." Her answer was: "My decision was made a long time ago. It is for you to choose between sending me to prison or deporting me to Siberia." Another girl twelve years of age missed school on Sunday to attend Mass. She was beaten by her Communist teacher before the class. The next day in protest against the unjust brutality of the Communists, the whole class, including many pagan teachers attended Mass.

The Cross of Our Lord has lovers everywhere. Take the businessman who recently came to our attention. Whenever he eats in a restaurant, he always chooses the cheapest items on the menu, regardless of what they are, in order to make a daily sacrifice for the Holy Father's Missions. Maybe we know only the good ones, but that is also because it takes a good person to make a sacrifice to help our missions in Africa and India and elsewhere.

Did you know that "Mission" magazine has over five million readers? Are you one of them? If you are not one of the five million who read our magazine "Mission," would you like us to send it to you? We will be glad to do so but only if you request this interesting and inspiring little book with your sacrifice offering. Don't forget to include your name and address.

GOD LOVE YOU to Mrs. L. and her two sons. "Shortly after receiving MISSION, I had occasion to open the banks of my sons. The smallest said: 'Mother, let's send some of this money to the missions for the poor children.' The other boy agreed. The enclosed \$6 is from both boys." . . . to W. J. Q. for \$3.10. "I saved ten cents a day for a month and wish to forward this to you for the Missions." . . . to Mrs. U. B. "The enclosed \$10 was saved from my household expenses." . . . to I. W. E. for \$17. "This money was saved through mortification during Advent." . . . to E. N. for \$19.45. "I received \$1.50 for my birthday and decided not to buy a dress for \$12.95 and \$5 is in thanksgiving for a quick recovery of our baby from pneumonia." . . . to J. B. "I am sending you \$1.50 with which I was going to buy a model airplane. I hope that this money will help a poor starving boy my age." . . . to Mrs. J. H. "Each month when we make a payment on our home, we send a donation for the missions—striving to build up a down payment on our permanent Home." . . . to E. M. S. "Enclosed is \$10.16 which represents the proceeds from the sale of an old pair of ice skates. Together with other small amounts, I am sure that it will be useful to your worthy cause." . . . to M. K. "My three youngest children decided to ask for fewer toys this year and send the money to the Missions. Enclosed is \$15."

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The Eucharist—Wonderful, Yet So Reasonable

This discussion deals with article on page one. Please be sure to read it carefully.

The Church teaches that it is a Sacrament which contains the true body and blood, the soul and divinity of Jesus Christ under the appearance of bread and wine.

Yes. In His resurrection Christ was glorified, returned to Heaven, and at the consecration of the Mass the elements of bread and wine are changed into Christ as He now is.

Our subject matter today is "The Holy Eucharist—Wonderful, Yet So Reasonable."

The substance of bread and wine was changed into the body and blood of Christ, as happened at the Last Supper, but the appearance of the bread and of the wine remained.

By four-fifths of all Christians today—and until a few centuries ago by all Christians in the world.



JOHN: What is the Catholic teaching concerning the Holy Eucharist as a Sacrament?

MARY: Does that mean that it is Christ as He exists now in Heaven, His divinity united to the body and soul with which He returned to Heaven?

CHARLES: What do you mean by Christ existing under the appearance of bread and wine?

ANN: How widely is this doctrine accepted?

Questions For The Class

Do Protestants have the Holy Eucharist as Catholics have?

CLASS: No, they have what they call the "Last Supper," but only one who is in line with apostolic succession from the time of the Apostles is empowered to produce the Eucharist.

Why do we say that the Eucharist is so reasonable?

CLASS: Because it is in keeping with the infinite attributes of God. If you admit God's infinity in one thing you have to admit it in everything. The universe shows the infinite majesty and greatness of God, but He is also infinitely good and loving and merciful.

Do people hesitate to accept the

doctrines of science?

CLASS: No, most persons immediately say "I believe," without any personal examination. If a scientist should say the universe is billions of years old, few raise their voice to deny it—yet no one has proved it. Scientists differ from one another on that.

Can you give an example to show what were regarded as scientific facts, but have now been disproved?

CLASS: Until a few years ago science taught that the atom was inert or inactive. Now they hold it to be the most active tiny thing of which we know. For a decade or two many people believed in Dar-

win's evolution theory as a scientific fact, but now there is hardly any one who teaches that the human soul, for instance, could be evolved.

Since we call the Eucharist a mystery, or something we cannot understand, can you point out mysteries of nature which are seemingly incredible?

CLASS: There are many. For instance, scientists do not even know what life is; they have never produced it; they have never invented anything like the human eye which could see; they could not invent an egg which would hatch. Astronomers in their field, are usually right because they have

means of accurate calculation. Yet they tell us that there are hundreds of millions of stars which no human eye has ever seen.

How can they be sure of that if the eye cannot see them?

CLASS: It can see them through huge telescopes, just as we can arrive at the knowledge of the mysteries of faith not by human reason, but by the revelation God made.

What makes the Eucharist so easy to accept by Catholics?

CLASS: The infinite goodness of God. Every Christian believes that God came down from Heaven to die for us, and that this was done by God out of pure love, as the

Bible teaches. If we can believe that God so loved us as to be crucified for us, why is it not easier to believe that He has invented a means to remain with us?

Could you give another reason why it is easy to accept the Church's teaching on the Holy Eucharist?

CLASS: Because all love tends to union and infinite love certainly would tend to unite itself to the object loved. That is why Christ is present under the appearance of bread, which is the common food of people. He is called in Holy Scripture "the hidden God," yet also "our Emmanuel," which means that He is actually with us.

Brother Michael's Quiz

Read this week's installment of BROTHER MICHAEL'S MAGIC carefully. Then try to answer each of the following questions. You may use your catechism or other books to help find the answers. Five right is excellent; four right, very good; three right, passing; two right, poor; and if you get less than two correct, Brother Michael is ashamed of you!

1. When Herod threw Saint Peter in jail, what did he tell the guards would happen if they let Peter escape?

2. Does the way we live in this life make any difference in the way we will live after death?

3. What are the rewards or punishments appointed for men after the Particular Judgment?

4. What happened to the guards who were in charge of Saint Peter in prison after Peter was freed by the angel?

5. Is it wrong not to have respect for human life?

(Answers on page 10)

OUR SUNDAY VISITOR 7
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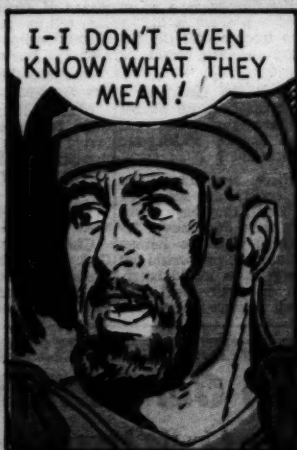
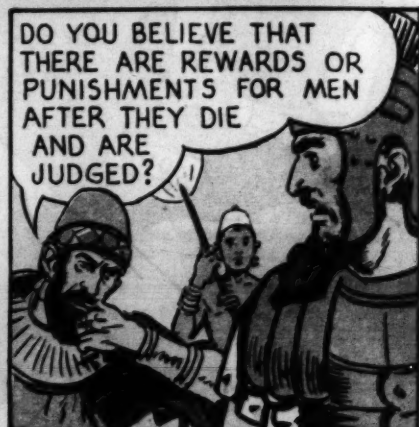
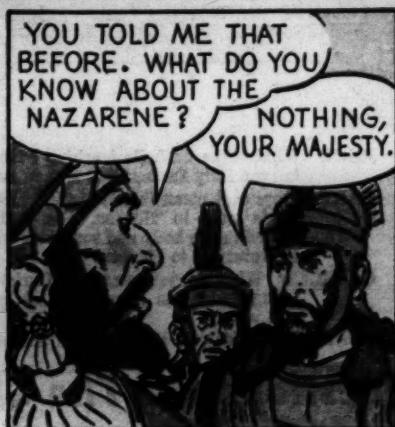
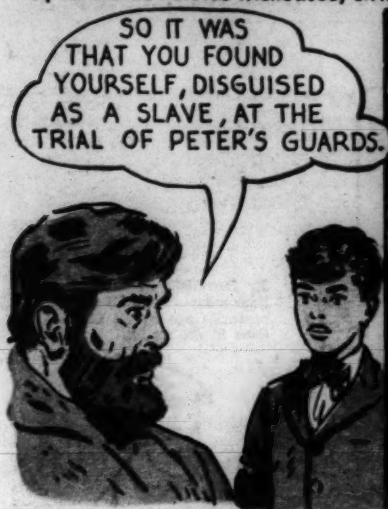
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BROTHER MICHAEL'S Magic

by Father Demetrius Manousos, O.F.M., Cap.

Artist: Addison Burbank



NEXT WEEK: DISCOVERED!

PETER and I

ART: Orestes Calpini



ONE DAY AS WE WERE HAVING TEA WE SAW AN ACCIDENT. ONE CAR CAME THROUGH WITH WHEELS ASKEW, AND ONE WITH FENDERS BENT.



POLICEMEN CAME TO TAKE OUR NAME, AND WOULDN'T LEAVE WITHOUT IT. THEY SAID, "REPORT TO TRAFFIC COURT AND TELL THE JUDGE ABOUT IT."



WELL I SAID, "FUDGE! WHO IS THIS JUDGE, AND WHERE'S THIS TRAFFIC PLACE?" SAID PETER, "HE IS PROBABLY THE ONE WHO'LL TRY THIS CASE."



"A JUDGE DECIDES WHERE TRUTH ABIDES. HIS JOB IS MOST DEMANDING. AND SO TO CHOOSE HE HAS TO USE HIS GIFT OF UNDERSTANDING."



"THIS GIFT OF SIGHT TO SEE THE RIGHT THE HOLY SPIRIT GIVES. IT HELPS HIS MIND THE TRUTH TO FIND WHILE IN HIS SOUL IT LIVES."

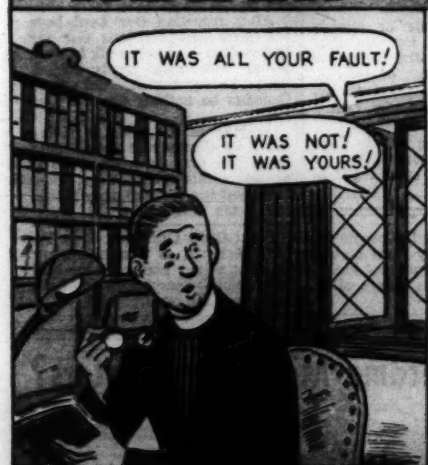


"AND ALL OF US CAN REASON THUS FOR WE ARE GIFTED TOO, TO UNDERSTAND WHAT GOD HAS PLANNED, WHAT'S GOOD AND WHAT IS TRUE."

ROGER

by Bill Hackney

Artist: Rick Hackney



IT WAS ALL YOUR FAULT!
IT WAS NOT! IT WAS YOURS!



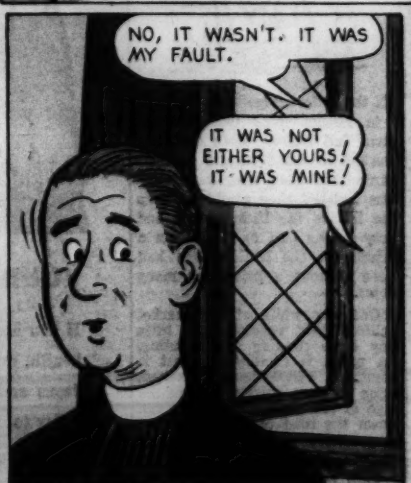
HERE NOW, YOU TWO, BREAK IT UP. WHAT'S THE TROUBLE OUT THERE, ROGER?



IT WAS HIS FAULT, FATHER. HE PUSHED ME.
IT WAS HIS FAULT, FATHER. HE GOT IN MY WAY.



WELL FIGHTING IS NO WAY TO SETTLE IT. YOU CAN JUST TALK IT OVER QUIETLY AND TRY TO SEE THE OTHER FELLOW'S SIDE.
I'M SORRY, BENNIE. IT WAS REALLY ALL MY FAULT.



NO, IT WASN'T. IT WAS MY FAULT.
IT WAS NOT EITHER YOURS! IT WAS MINE!



IT WAS MY FAULT!
IT WASN'T EITHER, IT WAS MINE!

Young Readers and Writers



Letter from Alma

ALMA SAVAGE, Children's Page Editor

TODAY we have a message from Father Joseph Christie, S.J. from England, who has come to America to learn new ways of convincing men and women about our Blessed Lord. He feels that "Americans have a great gift for communication," and says—"it is true to say that Americans entertain the world, and in many other ways, they tell the world, so that the American way of life is reproduced in many countries all over the world. That is in itself an achievement." And so Father Christie has come here to find out how it is done.

(Incidentally, there is another reason why Father Christie came to visit America. He had worked so closely with Americans in London that people all over America said he must visit the states; they wanted so much to see him again and hoped that they might if he came over on a lecture tour. That is what he is doing now.)

Father Christie has been in many of the countries of Europe, and one of the things he has observed, in all these countries is a desire to capture the minds of the children.

"The first person who ever said He wanted to capture the minds of the young," Father Christie said, "was Christ. He said: 'Let the little children come to Me,' and He saw that if they did, even after His disciples were dead, there would be young people growing up with the memory of Him."

"But how different is the reason why many leaders today attempt to capture the minds of the children. Most of them don't believe that they themselves are immortal and for that reason they are anxious to reach a pseudo-immortality by leaving an idea behind them. They may start off as a stream-lined Buick, but in no time they are an old jalopy inspiring nobody. Their language becomes out of date, their arteries hard, their ideas flat. So they look around desperately for some form of immortality. That is as near as many of them ever get to a religious ideal."

"Lenin, for instance did this. The only time he ever sounded in any way exalted was when he talked to the young. He was so anxious to leave some of himself in their hearts. If he hadn't succeeded in that he would have been forgotten long ago."

"For very sound reasons the Church knows that to fulfill her side of the contract to transmit Christ's doctrine down through the world 'til it ends, she must appeal to the young. And for this reason she has always been a great educator."

"Now the young are ruthless as well as reckless; they will not listen to dreary people however good they may be, and the worst thing that can happen to the Church is that her apostles or teachers should be dull uninspiring folk. If they are like that the young folks won't attend to them at all. (So now you know why I wanted to come to America.)"

"American Catholics use every modern means to bring Christ to the people. They use television, radio, movies—anything that will help the job on, and I want to see if the same thing can be done in England."

The Freshness Of Being Young

"THE Americans are a vital people; it may have something to do with the climate, the soil, and the food, but there is no doubt that wherever they go they make other people feel old and want to be young. That can only be because they are so brought up that the freshness of being young never really leaves them. That is a great spiritual gift because unless you have something of a child in you, you can never really love God."

"Unless you become as little children you can't enter into the kingdom of heaven."

"So when you grow up, because of the greatness of your country,

An Exciting Letter

FROM THE SOUTH PACIFIC

DEAR Friends:

I've just returned from the Western Island field trip which was a great experience. We boarded a small cargo vessel at Truk. With us were two administrators, a doctor, a dentist, a scientist and a few traders buying copra and selling foodstuffs and clothing at each island.

Since these islands have no docks, the landing must be made in a whale boat, and this is a risky business. You throw your Mass kit into the small boat, then just when you try to time your jump, there may be a heavy swell at the ship. You can picture what happens then.

The passage in the reef may be just wide enough for the boat with a foot or so leeway, and you have to ride in on the swell of the wave. On one island we were warned not to try to go in as it was very rough. The sailors were afraid to chance it with the whale boat, but since the Islanders had not seen a priest for some time, we transferred to a native canoe and went through the pass.

After Mass and a few confessions (there was no time for any more), we started back to the ship. Suddenly a big wave hit us, and the canoe half filled with water whereupon all the natives jumped out and swam alongside leaving the doctor and myself to paddle.

We visited 12 islands with Mass and confessions. In one place confessions went on from 4:30 until 11:30 p.m. after which we began Mass. On another island there were 18 baptisms of new converts, and the next morning seven marriages—also about 50 first confessions and Communions. One of the boys from our Minor Seminary in Truk spent the summer preaching to these people and getting them ready for Baptism. They themselves requested him to come.

The field is so ripe for harvest, and it is heart-breaking to leave these people for months at a time because there are not enough priests to do the work. They need your prayers badly—they do not have the grace of the Sacraments as you do. Please remember them and us every day. God bless you.

(Father) JOHN HOEK, S.J.
Catholic Mission, Truk District,
Caroline Islands, Trust Territory, Pacific.

you will have to carry, not only the burdens of America which are great, but the burdens of a great part of the world: that is always the problem of leadership. If you grow old under the task, you will weary of it and fail. If you keep the youthful freshness characteristic of your country, you will solve the problems of mankind and renew the hopes and the youth of the whole world."

Neighbors In Deed

At the end of the war the American Air force left their standard, the stars and stripes of Old Glory, in the bombed church of Farm Street in London, and now every year on Thanksgiving day the Catholic Americans headed by the Ambassador at the Court of St. James come to Mass there. Before Mass the Ambassador reads the President's message, and there is a sermon by one of the English Jesuits. After Mass the Americans are entertained by the clergy. Meanwhile the American Air force flag is displayed in the sanctuary.

Large numbers of Catholic girls work in the American Embassy (which is next door to the church on Farm Street). The girls meet regularly to discuss religious topics with Father Christie and Father Dermot Mills who used to teach at Fordham University in New York.

Lay Apostles

At present the Church is fighting one of the fiercest battles in her long history. As never before she needs the generous cooperation of the Lay Apostles, who will have an intelligent grasp of her teaching with all its implications, and who will make their lives an embodiment of their Faith.—John Cardinal d'Alton



Chats Out Of Church

The Holiest Part Of The Day

FATHER RAY GRIBBIN

Hello Boys And Girls!

THE bell has rung. The priest has opened the tabernacle door, said the prayers, and held up the Sacred Host, inviting us to come to the altar rail and receive Our Lord Himself in Holy Communion. The wonderful moment has arrived!

This is the holiest moment of our day, the holiest moment of our whole week. For that reason it would be a shame to do anything to spoil it. And yet, I am sorry to say, I have seen boys and girls do things to spoil it.

I have seen both boys and girls come, almost running, to the communion rail, with their arms flapping like broken wings at their sides. I have seen them pushing to get ahead of someone else. I have seen them looking all around as they walk up the aisle. I have seen them gawking up and down the line as they kneel at the rail. I have seen little girls with enough lipstick on them to paint a fire engine. I have seen boys with their collars open and their ties twisted half-way round their necks.

Worse yet, I have seen boys and girls look at the person next to them and giggle as the priest approaches them, carrying Our Lord.

Worst of all, I have seen them receive Our Lord, jump up from the altar rail, and race back to their places. And I have even seen them giggling and talking as soon as they flop into the pew.

Just to remember these things makes me sad. I am sorry I have to write them. I wish they had

never happened. But they did happen, and unless every Catholic boy and girl in our whole country decides right now that he or she will never do them, they will happen again.

Sometimes, I know, boys and girls just forget. But that is no real excuse, because we don't forget people we love, and we should love Our Lord more than anyone else.

If we love Him we will treat Him as He should be treated. Boys and girls who love Him will come to church dressed as neatly as possible. Maybe they will not have fancy clothes, but what they wear will be clean. Boys will have their shoes shined, and their collars buttoned, and their ties on straight. Little girls will not wear lipstick, and big girls will not wear much.

When the time comes to receive Our Lord they will get up quietly from their places, without pushing or shoving. They will walk down the aisle with their hands folded and their head bowed just a little, to make sure they will not look around. They will be thinking about the wonderful thing that is going to happen to them.

They will wait until there is a place for them at the altar rail. Then they will kneel down and keep their eyes on the tabernacle. As the priest approaches they will close their eyes, lift their head a little, open their mouth well, and put their tongue out.

Little boys and girls should be careful not to have their fingers touching their chin. If they are not careful about this the altar boy will not be able to put the communion plate under their chin, and some crumbs of the Host may fall on the floor.

After receiving Our Lord boys and girls—and everyone else for that matter—ought to walk to their places with their hands folded, their heads bowed, and their thoughts on nothing else but Our Lord.

As long as the priest is giving out Holy Communion they should kneel and pray to Jesus, Who is present within them. Then, when the priest has finished, they should follow the Mass again.

Answers To Brother Michael's Quiz

(Questions on page 7)

1. Herod told the guards that they would suffer the death penalty if they let their prisoner escape.
2. The way we live in this life will determine whether we are going to be punished or rewarded after death.
3. The rewards or punishments appointed for men after the Particular Judgment are Heaven, Purgatory, or hell.
4. Herod commanded that they be executed for letting the prisoner escape.
5. It is wrong not to have respect for human life, for human life is a special gift of God.

a great comfort to the people that at last, after many years of waiting Jesus would be present in their church in the little village of San Miguel.

Penal Code, California State Vehicle Act: "It is a misdemeanor to shoot at any kind of game bird or mammal—except a whale—from an automobile or airplane."

Faith In Prayer

THERESE LAYTON

Grade 6, St. Joseph's School,
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IN the little village of San Miguel in Mexico lived two brothers, Juan and Pedro. Each day they worked in the field and in their garden and when their day's work was finished they would walk up the hill to the little church and pray asking God to send them a priest, for the little village had been without a priest for many years.

One day while at the market selling their vegetables a little boy came running and shouting. "A priest is coming, a priest is coming." People became excited, some of them quickly making the sign of the cross while others ran down the road to meet him. But Juan and Pedro knelt silently in prayer.

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LAST month I took a quick swing around the midwest which involved talking to thousands of youth interested in the FIGHTING 69th.

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It wasn't until I boarded the train for the final leg home that I had even half a chance to estimate the salient points of these meetings. And then a conviction came to me which has since persisted—so much that I feel that I ought to get it down here for the records.

The conviction is this: The Catholic Youth of our generation are in the process of producing leaders who are going to shed great lustre on the Church when they come of age in the future.

Yes, I know all about the revolting headlines. I am just as familiar as anyone else with the stories of sex crimes, hoodlum activities, drinking and narcotic parties attributed to our teenaged youth. As a matter of fact, I probably run into more of these situations than the average person.

Yet, it must be remembered that these cases represent only a small percentage of the total picture and of the Catholic picture, an even smaller percentage. But because most of these are sensational in nature they make wonderful newspaper copy. The big dailies just eat them up.

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Athletes For Christ

Lent: Time For Self-Discipline

THOMAS F. STRANSKY

ON the sports pages occasionally appear the training schedules of our nation's best athletes. Some swimmers daily race 150 lengths of the pool. For months a football team spends several hours a day on the field. Baseball clubs have

weeks of drill before they appear in the stadiums of the country. Long hours of practice, balanced diets, the careful pacing of the day are necessary to perfect the body and give the mind mastery over muscle and nerve. Every athlete

has drenched his perfected skill in his own sweat.

St. Paul observed this rigid self-discipline in the athletes of Rome and Greece. "Every athlete must keep all his appetites under control; and he does it to win a crown that fades." No wonder, then, that Paul was determined to discipline himself in order to gain the imperishable and unfading prize—eternal happiness with God. God holds out that prize to us.

Lent is the time of year when Christians should concentrate on the meaning and practice of self-discipline. During the 40 days before Easter Christians have always tried with special effort to get better control of themselves.

The purpose of this self-restraint is love of God. We realize that the discipline of our mind and body only for the sake of ourselves is silly egotism. We control our passions with our reason. But because we are children of God we submit our reason to His law, our will to His love.

Only those who seek an excuse for their weaknesses and sin laugh at Lent. "Follow nature, seize pleasure while it flies," they say. Their cry really means, "follow half your nature; follow the animal in you, forget the human; obey the flesh but ignore the spirit." Obedience to this has been the ruin of every nation. Men become beasts.

Self-discipline, then, is not giving up anything; giving up is a loss. It is the exchange of something we do not need for something we do need. In disciplining ourselves we discover that we can get along very well without the selfishness at home and at work, without intemperate eating or drinking, without the sensuality that imposes only agony of soul. But we cannot get along without

grade school kids for example. Use the Catholic high school gym two or three times a week if you can. Get the Junior Chamber of Commerce behind you and some business firms to sponsor the teams. But you sponsor the league.

That would be a real challenge for the boys, and it wouldn't have to be elaborate. Sponsoring a ping pong tournament for both the boys and girls of the city might serve just as well.

Or you might sponsor a debate on some controversial topic of interest to the community. Or maybe a lecture by a nationally known person. Of course, you'd charge

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peace of soul in union with God. We gladly exchange one for the other.

Lent also reminds us of the Crucified Christ. He is our example. With our eyes on Him we take the chisel of our own will and cut off the chunks of selfishness, jealousy, and hate until we finally take on the image of Christ. And the grace He won for us on His Cross, so necessary for this work, is always at hand for us in the joyful task.—Paulist Feature Service.

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STUDENTS' PATRON — The Church celebrates the feast of St. Thomas Aquinas today, March 7. Known as the Angelic Doctor, St. Thomas authored the famous Summa, the greatest of his philosophical and theological writings, and the basis of scholastic philosophy. A member of the Dominican Order, Aquinas was born near Naples, Italy, in 1225 and died in 1274. This reproduction shows the crucified Christ appearing to him saying: "Well hast thou written of Me, Thomas." He is the patron saint of students.

Vocations — Women

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Youth Organized

Getting Boys Interested

JACK FINK

WHY is it so hard to get the boys interested in the CYO activities? It is in most places, you know. The girls are always ready to do something, but the boys just sit around talking among themselves.

Take social activities for example. It seems that at informal dances or parties the boys, if they come at all, form the inevitable "stag line." The girls want to dance but they don't want to ask the boys.

So the girls get up a mixer dance or they plan some game that includes boys. But even then the boys consent just to please the girls. They usually have a good time once they get into the activities, but they're not really interested.

Why is this? Whether we want to admit it or not, most of our CYO activities are set up primarily for the girls. This is true especially in the social phase. Girls are more social minded than boys.

As long as there are more girl members of the CYO than boys, something is wrong. And something should be done.

Boys need a challenge. If you want to get the boys interested in the CYO you have to give them a challenge. A big formal dance, complete with name band, decorations, tickets, refreshments, etc., is a challenge to anyone's ability. But it is also a social event in which the boys are just not as interested as the girls.

The challenge has to consist in something else—in something that has been tried most successfully in some places but tried hardly at all in most places. And it is something that will do the CYO a lot of good besides interesting the boys.

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CHARLIE CALLAHAN'S Sportscasting

THINGS get started this week in the big college basketball tournaments. Just a few miles from Huntington, Ind., where *Our Sunday Visitor* is printed, at Fort Wayne, Ind., will be two first round games in the N.C.A.A. tournament. This will be Tuesday, March 9. Why, Fort Wayne, Indiana? A fair question. Well, first of all, it is a relatively centrally-located spot for eastern and mid-western schools, and this is said with the thought that an eastern team which wins at Fort Wayne will not have to travel too far to the next round, to be held, March 12-13, at the University of Iowa, Iowa City, Ia. But that's not the complete answer. The fact is that the folks of Fort Wayne were spirited enough to build themselves one of the finest athletic auditoriums in the country a couple of years ago, and it is an ideal site for top athletic events.

Fort Wayne is in line to receive the famous ABC bowling tournament. It has major league basketball and also an entry in one of the country's top hockey leagues. A

year ago, the Fort Wayne Coliseum was the site of two of the first round games in the N.C.A.A. tournament, and top college officials were so satisfied with conditions that the Coliseum was again selected as a spot for first round play-offs this year.

Notre Dame and Toledo were the first two teams named to play at Fort Wayne. The Irish are in the N.C.A.A. tournament for the second straight year, a tribute to Coach Johnny Jordan, who has been at the coaching helm for only three years. Victors in 17 of their first 19 starts, the Fighting Irish have been somewhat overlooked this year—even in their own area—and this could be at least partly due to the fact that the mid-winter spotlight, as far as Notre Dame was concerned, was stolen by the Frank Leahy-Terry Brennan coaching change.

Be that as it may, the Irish are just about back at the basketball peak they enjoyed for so many years under the late George Keogan. On this, take the word of three coaches whose teams have played Notre Dame this year: Buster Sheary, Holy Cross; Ben Carnevale, Navy, and Ray Meyer, DePaul. All three have stated publicly that Notre Dame is the best team they've seen all season.

Invitational Meet

The University of Dayton will be in the National Invitational Tournament, which operates out of Madison Square Garden. The Flyers had 21 victories in their first 26 games. Tommy Blackburn, who is listed as a former history professor, has done a fine coaching job at Dayton. He has been very happy to have such men as Bill Uhl, six-eleven, and John Horan, six-eight, on his squad . . . as who wouldn't be in this day and age when height means so much in basketball?

The unbeatable Dukes of Duquesne, who have become just about everybody's choice for first place in the weekly wire service polls, are also headed for the NIT, as the National Invitational tourney is labeled. It goes without saying that they will be the pre-tourney favorites. As I mentioned once before, I had the privilege of watching Coach Duddy Moore's outfit in action, and headed by Jim Tucker, Dick Ricketts and Si Green, the Dukes are really a terrific ball club.

Fordham is another of the country's outstanding teams. A week or so ago, they had a record of 16 wins and but four losses. The Rams will compete in the N.C.A.A. Holy Cross took an 83-61 drubbing from Notre Dame, but that was the only black mark on their record as they breezed through 21 of their initial 22 starts. Togo Palazzi is the big star of the Crusaders and he has a scoring average of something like 25 points per game.

LaSalle will be another team in the N.C.A.A. tournament, and this will be the fifth straight year that Coach Ken Loeffler has had his team in one of the major post-season gatherings. Through their first 24 games, the LaSalle quintet posted 20 wins with the big-gun being Tom Gola.

Loyola of the South, in New Orleans, and Villanova are two teams not mentioned in the country's top ten, but both have been racking up pretty fair records. Loyola had a 16-7 mark, and Villanova won 19 of their first 20. Bob Schafer, of Villanova, is considered one of the ranking players in the east.

St. Francis, of Brooklyn, has taken the play away from some of the bigger and better known colleges of the New York City area this year. They had a record of 17 wins and three losses at the time they were invited to the NIT,

and they'll probably be the favorites of the New York crowd at the tournament.

Another St. Francis, this one in Loretto, Pa., has also compiled an imposing record, winning 18 of their first 22 starts.

Santa Clara, where six-foot-nine Ken Sears is the star, has had a pretty good season and won 14 of their first 19.

The real top Catholic team on the west coast, however, is Seattle. Some folks may have thought that this school would fade from the national basketball picture after the graduation of the famed O'Brien twins, but such has not been the case. Seattle is also in the N.C.A.A. tourney. The Seattle five lost its opening game of the season, but then went on to win the

next 24, a figure that will probably be increased by the time this hits print.

Little St. Ambrose, in Davenport, Ia., followed the Seattle plan. They also lost their opener, but then took their next 17 starts.

Niagara, which lost only five of their first 23 games, and two of these were to mighty Duquesne, will be in the NIT tourney. At Niagara they are mighty proud of a lad named Costello, who is nowhere near as tall as most of today's outstanding players, but that doesn't stop him from getting more than his share of points.

All of which completes another quick wrap-up of the Catholic college basketball picture with the regular season just about over, and the tournaments about to begin.

Gospel Story

Warning To Readers

ALBERTA SCHUMACHER

YOU who read this column are in danger! There is a certain type of person who turns to this column and reads it with interest. Others never read past my by-line. It is your type of person, dear reader, who is being sought with all the cunning of a diabolical plan in this year of Mary. The person who misses this warning because he never reads past my by-line is not so much the immediate target for the schemer about whom I would warn you.

I do not want to make you suspicious of everyone you meet. Yet I would ask you to scan new acquaintances and evaluate present established friendships in the light of what effect they have on your spiritual progress.

Our mutual enemy can be most attractive when he wants to be. If necessary, he will utilize all the available artifices of the charm schools, all the Carnegie tips for winning friends and influencing people, and all his wide contacts with "everybody" in order to win you. "Everybody else is doing what I now suggest you do," he will say. Or, if you are the more discriminating and selective type, head and shoulders above the crowd, he is more likely to tempt

you by saying "a certain important 'somebody' thinks it is all right to do so-and-so." Our mutual enemy always uses either "everybody" or "somebody" as a selling point for whatever it is he is trying to get us to do.

But now you want to know who in the world is going to so much effort to get in contact with you. At first, you may feel "let down" when I tell you his name. And yet, you should not. It is people who are doing good in the world for whom he goes to such great lengths. Why, in today's Gospel, he went to the desert, to the holy city, and to a very high mountain in three attempts to influence the Son of God Himself!

Just to show you to what lengths he will go, he took Jesus into the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him, "If thou art the Son of God, throw thyself down, for it is written, 'He will give his angels charge concerning thee; and upon their hands they shall bear thee up, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.'"

Jesus said to him, "It is written further, 'Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.'"

So now you know it is the devil who is seeking you in one or several of his more attractive disguises. He is most likely to appear to you as an angel of light, for you, being

sincere in your efforts to live rightly, would turn horrified from an unmistakably evil visage.

Why do I say you who read this column are in such danger from the intensified and far more clever than ordinary temptations of the devil? It is because this, being the year of Mary, is also the year of the "little people." Only those who seek Jesus in the "little things" of their way of life would be interested in this column, for it is neither clever nor learned nor literary, nor is its writer. But you who seek to be numbered among the humble little ones, the weak with whom God will confound the strong, write me that you find a common bond with me and with the people of whom I write. (I want you to continue to write me of the little ways in which you are serving God.) Let us pray for each other, for it is inevitable that the devil should lie in wait for the "little ones" in this year of Mary.

Mary chooses the small, the weak, and the humble. It is Mary's united little ones who will accomplish Her great works this year. Nothing in themselves, they accomplish all in Her. The devil, recognizing the potential for good in this united effort, will be circulating among us, striving to separate us and lead us astray. Watch out for him. "Pray without ceasing."

Riddles

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You will want to keep the main dishes for your files to use during Lent when you are planning so many meatless meals. Try some of these dishes now and use your favorites often to give your family nutritious dishes at low cost.

Cheese Cherry Pie

16 1½-inch vanilla cookies; 1 package cherry flavored gelatin; 1¼ cups hot water; ½ cup whipping cream, whipped; 1 cup creamed style cottage cheese.

Arrange cookies on bottom and sides of 8-inch pie plate. Prepare gelatin according to manufacturer's directions on package, using 1¼ cups water; chill until slightly thickened. Carefully blend together cream and cheese. Lightly fold cream and cheese mixture into thickened gelatin. Turn in crust. Chill until firm, about 2 hours. Garnish with sweetened whipped cream and maraschino cherries. Serves 6.

Sandwich Barbecue

Grilled American cheese sand-

wiches are old favorites with most of us but cottage cheese sandwiches may be new to many of you. Try them for a change, serving them with a good zippy barbecue sauce, either of your own making or some you have bought.

2 eggs; ½ cup milk; ¼ teaspoon salt; dash pepper; ¼ teaspoon nutmeg; 2 cups cottage cheese; 12 slices buttered bread; butter or margarine for frying; barbecue sauce.

Beat eggs slightly with fork in shallow dish; add milk and seasonings and mix thoroughly. Spread cheese on 6 slices of bread; top with remaining 6 slices. Dip both sides of sandwiches in egg mixture quickly and fry in butter until golden brown on both sides. Serve immediately with barbecue sauce. Serves 6.

Cottage Cheese Fritters

1 cup sifted flour; 2 teaspoons baking powder; ¼ teaspoon salt; 1 tablespoon butter or margarine; 1 egg; 1 cup cottage cheese; ¼ cup milk; Honey Cream Sauce or maple syrup.

Mix and sift flour, baking powder and salt. Cut in butter with 2 knives or pastry blender. Beat egg until light, add cottage cheese and continue to beat with rotary beater until thoroughly blended. Stir in milk; add flour mixture and stir lightly. Drop by small amounts into deep hot fat 375° F., using about one half of a heaped silver teaspoonful of batter for each fritter. Fry until brown, then drain on absorbent paper. Fritters will have soft moist centers and crispy crusts. To make Honey Cream Sauce mix a tablespoon of cream with ¼ cup honey. Serves 6 (20 small fritters).

Jellied Beet Salad

1 package lemon flavored gelatin; 1½ cups boiling water; 1 tablespoon horseradish; 3 tablespoons vinegar; 1 to 2 teaspoons salt; 1 cup finely chopped, cooked beets; ½ cup finely chopped celery; 1 cup cottage cheese.

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water; cool. Chill until thick and syrupy. Mix horseradish, vinegar and salt; pour over beets and celery and mix well. Oil six individual molds with vegetable oil. Divide cottage cheese and lightly press into bottom of each mold. Combine gelatin and beet mixture and pour over cottage cheese. Chill until set. Unmold on salad greens. Serves 6.

Noodle Casserole

6-ounce package noodles; 2 tablespoons flour; ¾ to 1 teaspoon salt; dash pepper; 1 cup sour cream; 1 cup sieved cottage cheese; ¼ to ½ teaspoon grated onion.

Cook noodles in boiling salted water until just tender; drain and rinse well. Mix flour, salt and pepper in bowl; add sour cream and stir until smooth. Fold in cottage cheese. Add noodles and onion; mix well. Turn into buttered shallow baking dish; sprinkle with paprika. Bake in moderate oven 350° F. for 20 minutes or until brown. Serves 6.

Cheese Custard Pie

5 eggs, separated; 1 cup cottage cheese; 1 cup light cream; 1 teaspoon celery flakes, crumbled; 1 teaspoon salt; ½ teaspoon pepper; 2 tablespoons melted butter or

margarine; 1 baked 9-inch pastry shell.

Add egg yolks to cottage cheese; beat with rotary beater until well blended and cheese curds are very fine. Add cream, celery flakes, seasonings and melted butter. Beat well with rotary beater until thoroughly blended. Beat egg whites until stiff but not dry; lightly fold into cheese mixture. Pour into pastry shell; bake in hot oven 450° F. for 10 minutes. Reduce heat to

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youngster's sandwiches. A glass of milk and some fruit will make a complete luncheon.

4 tablespoons chopped olives; 1 cup shredded carrot; 1 cup chopped celery; ½ cup chopped parsley; 1 medium onion, finely chopped; 2 tablespoons vinegar; 2 cups cottage cheese; ½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce; 2 7-ounce cans



Cheese Cherry Pie

moderate 350° F. and continue baking for 20 to 25 minutes or until a knife comes out clean when inserted in center. Serve hot garnished with hard cooked eggs. Serves 4 to 6.

Tuna Spring Salad

Use any left-over salad for the

tuna fish; Salt and pepper; Lettuce.

Mix olives, carrot, celery, parsley, onion and vinegar. Mix cottage cheese on Worcestershire sauce. Drain tuna fish; break into large flakes with fork. Add vegetable and cheese mixtures. Toss lightly, season with salt and pepper. Serve on lettuce. Serves 8.

Inside Views

When God Picks A Flower

M. D. AMATOR

FROM time to time these "inside views" have given you glimpses of one phase or another of what it's like in the large family, which some readers think practically nonexistent today. True, there are not as many of them as in the last generation, but the writer has over the past two years collected a file of some one thousand present day Catholic families of eight or more.

While many of them are somewhat similar in many respects, yet each is unique in one way or another. Today we've selected one such garden of God's children into which He, the Master of life and death, has come rather early to pluck a few of His "flowers" for the adornment of His heavenly garden. Regardless of the number of children with which a family may be blessed, it is always a deep sorrow when He comes to call one of His little ones to join His angels above.

A happy family in one of the large cities of an eastern state was blessed with 13 future souls for heaven. And the Lord of heaven came no less than three times to claim one of His own. The first tiny blossom He wanted for His heavenly garden was scarcely budding. The Master plucked it before its second month on earth had ended.

Some years later, He came again. This time His choice was another lovely bud scarcely beginning to unfold its fragrant petals. The darling flower of the family had not as yet celebrated its first birthday on earth, when the Master bent low and plucked it to grace His own angelic gardens. It was hard to see these beautiful babes leave the family circle; each one had been so precious, so dear to its mother's heart, so beloved of the rest of the family.

Somehow, the good Lord didn't even stop there. A few years later He came for the third time. This time His choice fell upon a flower in the full bloom of childhood, and His method seemed (according to standards of earth) more harsh in its tragic suddenness, the day He claimed ten-year-old Gene.

As his mother writes, "Only the Sorrowful Mother knows what I went through as I saw him run over by the heavy truck; as he opened his big blue eyes and gave me one last smile, as if to say, 'So long Mom'; as I sat at his bedside watching helplessly his convulsive agonies of death."

Safe In Heaven

Yet Christian resignation rises supreme, as she concludes, "I bear my cross with my Mother Mary

who also had to see her Son die." Yet she knows that three of her 13 are safe in God's garden, and that He saw fit to spare them the many trials and dangers of life. She is glad she cooperated with God in giving them birth, even though she could enjoy them so short a time, for now they can enjoy the eternal blessedness of the Beatific Vision.

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Six O'Clock Mass

What Has Gone Before

Things are beginning to straighten out for the regulars at the six o'clock Mass at St. Jude's. Mary McGuinnan never dreamt that the eyes of an ex-seaman named Anthony Sarto feasted on her beauty and innocence while she said her prayers. They meet, and fall in love, but Mary's father would not consider her marrying an Italian. Father James points out to Mr. McGuinnan that Anthony Sarto might be a third cousin, once removed, of Pope Pius X. After that all is smooth sailing, and Mary and Tony are married.

12. The Holy Old Battle Axe

USUALLY when a priest sees another addition to his six o'clock congregation, he is glad that God's grace has found an echo in another soul. When Mrs. Cardenas, punctilious about Sunday Mass, began to appear daily four days after Isabel announced she was entering a contemplative order, Father James tempered his joy with caution.

"I'm sorry, God," he said. "You're in for a hard time."

Veteran of many political campaigns, Isabel's mother had carefully mapped her strategy of war.

The first week she reminded God of a few things, very reverently but very bluntly. "Who directed the Catholic Charities drive? Mrs. Cardenas. Who passed the law to care for the blind and deaf? Mrs. Cardenas. Who gave half her mother's insurance to the Old Folk's Home? Mrs. Cardenas. Who established the scholarship at the Seminary? Mrs. Cardenas."

"Now, God, is this such a great favor I'm asking? All I want is my only daughter. Surely, You've enough nuns bombarding you with prayers. How foolish to take her, the mainstay of the Newman Club, away from the few at the state university who still believe in God."

The second week, when Isabel seemed more determined than ever, Mrs. Cardenas changed her attack. She tried, as have so many others, to bargain with God.

"Do You want me to look after the orphan's Christmas this year? Of course, I will, God. Poor little tots without mothers. Why not take one of those into the cloister? Oh yes, I'm going on the radio again Thanksgiving Day to remind people how good You are to them—at least, to most of them. Of course, if a mother has only one child—and she sighed her deepest sigh.

The third week Mrs. Cardenas conceded a little to God.

"If You really must have Isabel," she pleaded, "take her into a teaching order of nuns who do something or into the Mercy sisters who run a hospital where their parents are welcome. But those cloistered nuns! All they do, Lord, is pray for people who haven't sense enough to pray for themselves. Surely, You know Your business! No one needs to tell You who needs help or what they need. Now, Isabel would be wonderful in a Catholic girls' college helping You fight evil!"

The fourth week Mrs. Cardenas broadened her attack.

"Father James," she pleaded, "you tell Isabel what she ought to do."

"Did you genuflect when you came in here?" asked the pastor pleasantly.

"Why should I?"

"You've just said that I was God. A vocation is business between a

human soul and God. God, not I, will tell Isabel what to do."

Isabel, whose heart was at peace with God, once she had made up her mind, was undaunted in the face of her mother's arguments.

One last chance. The Bishop. The Bishop received Mrs. Cardenas cordially. She stated her business. Then she told the Bishop his business.

"Your excellency needs girls like Isabel to teach, to give example. Stop her from wasting her life."

The Bishop, forewarned by Father James, was tenderly solicitous of Mrs. Cardenas. "You've been so generous to God," he suggested, "that I know you will not deny Him what He wants most—the companionship of your daughter before His altar. More things are wrought by prayer than the world dreams of," and the Bishop launched into his best confirmation sermon. Unfortunately, Mrs. Cardenas had heard it before.

During the centuries, God has been the victim of many a filibuster, but none more persistent than that of Isabel's mother. Everyone at the daily Mass at St. Jude's knew what was going on. Mrs. Cardenas was thinking seriously of advising the Pope to abolish all contemplative orders. God intended people to live in the world, and with other people!

Dr. Cardenas, Father James, and Isabel one day reviewed the situation in St. Jude's Rectory.

"When do you leave, Isabel?" asked Father James.

"As soon as the University closes in June. That is, unless Mother burns down the convent I'm headed for or compels God to strike it with lightning."

"Mother is still fighting mad," chimed in Dr. Cardenas, "but she's changing too. She reminds me of Isabel when she was a baby—kicking and fighting to have her way."

"How is she changing?" asked the priest.

"She's talking to God in her own words and she's praying more and she's quit minding everybody else's business."

"Unless the grain fall to the ground, itself remaineth alone," murmured Father James. "Isabel, your mother has been a great and good influence in this community. Some day God may let her realize He has influence too—and you will dispense it, not your mother."

Mrs. Cardenas went to Isabel's formal reception into the convent. She had never dodged an issue in her life. Besides she knew that the pick of the town would be there. She also knew that while she herself could win elections, her Isabel had won the deep affection of countless people. Isabel was beautiful in that bridal dress in which she espoused Christ. For it, Mrs. Cardenas resurrected laces that were fit for a queen. She held her tongue. She now knew she would prefer Isabel in that dress alone than standing next to some man who would not measure up to her. That, from Mrs. Cardenas, was quite a concession to the Lord.

And at this investiture she also began to wonder. Not only were old friends there, but she found the Doctor talking to a famous general and a former ambassador. What brought them there? And of all people, that terrible Senator McGuinnan. She had fought him and called him an old mumbler and told him to stop blinking at her and answer "yes" or "no" many a time. And here he was at her daughter's reception with that redheaded daughter of his she liked, Mary—and her husband, the Sarto boy. This softened her up a bit. Not that she was ready yet to admit God had a higher priority rating on Isabel's life!

As months wore on Mrs. Cardenas began to comprehend that God provided all the good in the world, whether women's clubs saw eye to eye with Him or not. She let young women win elections in all the clubs and gradually slipped out

of that picture. She spent more time at St. Jude's.

The Mayor was defeated at the next election by the candidate of the gangsters, and the Bishop was concerned. He would ask no favors from the bad politicians who had gotten into office. "It was much easier," he said to his chancellor, "in the old days when Mrs. Cardenas was scaring those do-gooders who used to run the town."

Then the Chancellor knew that the Bishop was ready for Heaven, because every day he was relying more and more on God entirely. He passed the word along. When a bishop refuses to speak to the Knights of Columbus, the A.O.H., and the Chamber of Commerce, he must be thinking of eternity.

One day the Bishop sent for Mrs. Cardenas. Since His Excellency had attended Isabel's reception into the convent, she had a somewhat kinder attitude toward him. But she still had a glint in her eye.

"Mrs. Cardenas," said the Bishop humbly, "I have a great favor to ask."

This was something new. Generally she told the Bishop what to do.

"I have a problem, a great personal problem, and I seem unable to solve it. There is a soul at stake. I've done all a bishop and a priest can do about it. Would you please ask Isabel to help me?"

With a new sense of importance, carrying a special letter from His Excellency, Mrs. Cardenas pounded on the convent door. She knew she couldn't see Isabel, who henceforth would talk to her mother only through a veil. The Mother Superior said she would deliver the Bishop's note immediately.

The next week the Bishop again sent for Mrs. Cardenas. He was beaming.

"God has taught me a lesson," he said, "and I want to share it with you. Through the prayers of your daughter, a young priest has been saved from—from a terrible mistake."

Mrs. Cardenas nodded sympathetically.

"These cloistered nuns," the Bishop continued, "seem to have a special circuit to God's ear. We clergy would be helpless without

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Readers send us literature dealing with the "National Council of the Churches of Christ in America," which claims it represents nearly thirty of the larger denominations. But often in the same mail we receive letters from preachers of other sects who disown that organization as representative of the full membership of organizations affiliated. They charge it with too much liberalism and Socialism. Hence it is not surprising that people ask us what is the real truth.

The Federal Council of Churches was formed many years ago for the coordination of work of many sects in the hope that, jointly, they might be able to accomplish much more for Protestantism and be able to speak with a louder voice. There are some large organizations which never joined the Federal Council, (now the National Council) such as most of the Lutheran Synods, and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Some religious bodies left it and

formed the "American Council of Christian Churches" which, of course, had just as much right to exist as the other group. In fact, considering the trend towards skepticism in matters relating to religion, and towards Socialism and Communism in relation to government, it is important that Fundamentalists dissent and try to strike a healthier balance.

The "Methodist Federation for Social Service" had a very strong clerical membership a few years ago. Rev. Harry Ward, its President, claimed the support of 2,000 Methodist ministers in his work. This Harry Ward was also connected with a number of very strong left-wing organizations, such as the "American League Against War and Fascism."

He and a former head of the Federal Council of Churches, Bishop Francis J. McConnell, were praised in the November, 1936, number of *Soviet Russia Today*, a Communist publication, and Dr. Rembert G. Smith, of Pryor, Oklahoma, formerly connected with the Emory Methodist College, accused four Bishops of his church of heading a Socialist Bloc. One of these was Francis McConnell and another the gentleman who pretends to speak for Protestantism today, G. Bromley Oxnam.

We mention these things not to express our own sentiments, but rather to point out that when an individual or a group pretends to speak for Protestantism, he is likely to be denounced by another individual or another group of equally strong Protestant connections.

No Authorized Voice

Since Protestantism professes to believe in "private judgment," no one really has a right to speak for it. It is inconsistent with the principle that there should be any preaching at all except by exhortation unless the preacher makes it clear that he is expressing his own opinion. There should be no teacher in Sunday School opposing the private judgment ideas of

members of his class. The private judgment way, of course, does not create faith, but doubt; does not create unity, but dissension.

Our Critics

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himself shall pierce the clouds?" Do we not humble ourselves when, feeling our unworthiness, we ask the mother of our Mediator with God to plead with Him to do that mediation for a world steeped in wickedness, deserving nothing from Heaven?

Neither do our critics take into account the several apparitions proved beyond all doubt in which Mary was sent to plead with the world to repent. Her pleadings were in the name of Christ, our Lord. The Church is very slow to recognize the actuality of Mary's apparitions at Lourdes or at Fatima. The process of investigation was a long one, and Bernadette of Lourdes and the children at Fatima were almost tortured both by ecclesiastical and civil authorities to force them to admit that the visions were not actual. There was not one vision, but many in each case.

In the case of Lourdes the unlettered Bernadette did not even know what the words "The Immaculate Conception" meant, yet when asked by the tribunal investigating her, she declared that Mary had told her, "I am the Immaculate Conception." Mary asked Bernadette to remove a little top soil from the ground on which she knelt and from that day until the present time a stream of water has flown. These are only part of the things which happened.

Many thousands of people visited Fatima on the day on which Mary predicted a great miracle would take place. Enemies of the Church were there in large numbers; reporters of newspapers and magazines were there; scoffers of all religion were there, yet went home declaring that they had seen a most convincing and extraordinary miracle.

Protestants usually lift out of the context the one verse in which it is said "there is only one Mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus" (1 Timothy 2:5). If they had lifted out the next verse they would have discovered in what sense Christ was to be the one Mediator, namely, "by redeeming us."

Now no Catholic believes that Mary could redeem them, nor that she could be a mediator in any sense comparable to the manner in which Christ was a Mediator.

There is absolutely no text of Holy Scriptures which denounces any one, yourself or myself, or the great friends of God among the saints and martyrs, or Mary, from being mediators "by intercession." That is the belief and practice of four-fifths of the entire Christian world today, and was the belief of all Christians throughout 15 centuries.

The one-fifth—the small minority—should know first what they are talking about before they assume that the four-fifths have turned from Christ to Mary.

They merely turn with Mary to Christ, and like to have the benefit of her powerful intercession with her own Divine Son. Understanding this, one can readily understand that all "honor" (not divine worship) paid to Mary redounds to Christ, on Whose account only she is honored at all.

We wonder whether any of our critics ever visited the Catacombs under the city of Rome, which date back to the first century and, therefore, where the most primitive Christians lived and worshipped and prayed. They will find inscriptions portraying the requests of the people for prayers of those of their brethren who had given up their lives for Christ in martyrdom. They, taught by the apostles, went to Christ through His proven friends? Was His Mother less a friend?

When God Picks

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parents in permitting them to be born?

From heaven these companions of the angels look down upon their beloved parents, their brothers and sisters. How happy it must make them to see the rest of their family on earth gathered for the family rosary; to see them go to Holy Communion so frequently and to Holy Mass whenever possible! How happy they are that their parents do not use sinful methods of birth

control, which is far more widespread today even among Catholics than many realize!

Several months ago the writer was privileged to hear an outstanding address at a Te Deum International forum given by a priest-scholar who had studied and investigated the matter. Shocking were the high percentages he revealed regarding women who call themselves Catholic and still use sinful means of birth control. This zealous and saintly priest begged his audience for prayer and penance for their conversion. Humbly he repeated that the preaching of priests from the pulpits alone will not do it. "Only much more prayer and much more penance and sacrifice on the part of all offered for these people, will bring about their conversion."

Many in that audience did not forget. Some at least are praying and offering little sacrifices in line of duty for this good priest's intention. Perhaps this number will be swelled by the readers of this column.

Six O'Clock Mass

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the prayers of our nuns, cloistered and otherwise."

Thus, Mrs. Cardenas became a mere errand girl for God. At night in the old home it was lonely, save when one turned to God and prayed oneself to sleep. The Doctor was very kind. He was really proud of both wife and daughter. He just hoped that God in the hereafter wouldn't get into any eternal arguments with the holy old battle axe whom, in diverse ways, both God and her husband loved.

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Youth Organized

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admission to come out even financially.

There are many other things you could do. But sponsor some activity that would do some good for some part of your community.

If you should sponsor several such activities your problem of a membership drive would be cut in half. The Catholic youth would want to belong to an organization that is doing well. The boys would come flocking in.

While you're sponsoring activities such as these, don't discount your usual activities for the CYO members. You'll find that the boys will take much more interest in the other activities than they did

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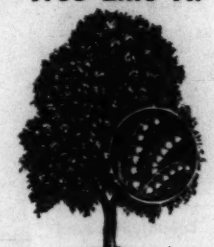
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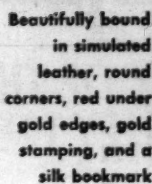
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'Detective Story' Has An Outstanding Cast

By WILLIAM THESPIAN

"Detective Story" is adult entertainment. It tells a story of sin and destruction, crime and punishment. It is shocking only in the sense that it is true. It is a story of life and it pulls no punches. Every theatregoer would not be attracted to this type of drama. It has a limited appeal. Realism is hard to swallow at times.

The Fort Wayne Civic Theatre's current production of "Detective Story" has too many points in its favor to be brushed aside by mere prejudice.

Director Theodore Sizer has one of his strongest casts. In "Detective Story" there are many surprising performances from the large cast.

Dalton McAlister plays the role of Detective McLeod with gripping effectiveness. He successfully builds each early scene. With painstaking care he shows the true character of McLeod, an unbending, unforgiving individual. His demise is tremendously convincing.

Geraldine Paurice returns to the Civic Theatre in the role of Mrs. McLeod. It is a shame that she has been away for even a short while. A beautiful woman, she acts the detective's wife with unusual skill. A highly emotional role, Mrs. Paurice's acting was the essence of restraint and good taste.

Another masterpiece of delicacy was the performance of Barbara Meyers. In the role of Susan Carmichael, enamored of the first-time embezzler, Miss Meyers' performance is a good example of quiet tenderness and affection.

The surprises of the evening are the performances of Joseph Higgins as Detective Brody and Robert Becker as Arthur Kindred, the young embezzler. Both have appeared in previous Civic Theatre productions and were rapidly reaching the stage where they could easily be typed as character actors. In this production they do a change of pace. They act their roles with outstanding restraint. This sense of control will be valuable information to these two members of the Civic Theatre in any future productions in which they may appear.

The performances of Mr. Higgins and Mr. Becker are also a tribute to Mr. Sizer's direction. Their performances are a healthy sign of the mature growth of the Civic Theatre. Actors and directors are working together to produce outstanding over-all effects.

This joint effort will receive its severest test next month when the Civic presents Jean Anouilh's "Ring Round the Moon." This production could very easily be the cultural highlight of the season.

Myra Hess Plays With South Bend Symphony

Last Sunday South Bend saw the high point of its symphony season. It was not the major work of the afternoon—Beethoven's youthful and vigorous Piano Concerto No. 3 in C minor—that created the occasion; it was the young-at-heart and energetic soloist: Britain's matchless Dame Myra Hess, just turned 64 on February 25.

Dame Myra's mastery of the classic style was evident from the first bright notes of the allegro. Her crisp running thirds, double trills and brilliant scales could not have been surpassed by Serkin or Schnabel in their best form. In the richly melodic largo she changed pace to a tantalizing rubato, then returned to a dazzling precision for the final movement.

It is a sign of Dame Myra's true youth of spirit that after an overwhelming standing ovation she provided a true encore, repeating the lively rondo, the most demanding movement of the concerto. She amply justified her critical acclaim as a foremost interpreter of Mozart, Bach and Beethoven and "one of the pre-eminent pianists of her time."

The South Bend orchestra under Edwyn Hames provided a generally excellent background for Dame Myra's virtuosity, although her quick pianistics caught the conductor off guard in two or three of his orchestral entrances.

The orchestra provided two familiar old warhorses. Debussy's "Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun" was treated pretty academically, without much color or passion, although the woodwinds, horns and harps were shown to advantage. Liszt's symphonic poem, "Les Preludes," was given a more lackluster performance. It was as if the conductor had taken the fuzzily philosophical program notes too seriously and ignored the musical values of this flashy old pulse-bumper.

The only real experiment of the day was a performance of Ernest Bloch's Concerto Grosso for string orchestra and piano, consisting of a heavily accented allegro, a strikingly discordant dirge and a fugue that, except for a few modernistic harmonies, might have been written in the seventeenth century. The orchestra should try its hand at more works by contemporary composers.

The next concert for the Symphony will be Sunday, March 14, at 4 p.m. in John Adams Auditorium. This is listed as a "Family Concert" and the Notre Dame Glee Club will be heard in selections with the orchestra.—J. F. L.

At Writers' Conference . . .

Henry Rago To Direct N.D. Poetry Workshop

Notre Dame—The University of Notre Dame will hold its sixth annual Writers' Conference, June 28-July 3, it was announced here by Professor Louis Hasley, conference director. As in previous

years, the Writers' Conference will consist of workshops in poetry, fiction and the teaching of creative writing.

Hasley announced that Henry Rago, noted poet, critic, lecturer and associate professor of the humanities at the University of Chicago, will direct this year's poetry workshop. Richard Sullivan and John T. Frederick, members of Notre Dame's English department faculty, again will be in charge of the fiction and teaching of creative writing workshops respectively, Hasley said.

Rago's first book of poems, *The Travelers*, was published in 1949. A second volume, *The Temple and Other Poems*, will be published later this year. Admitted to the Illinois bar in 1937, Rago returned to academic life at Notre Dame where he received his Ph.D. in philosophy in 1941. He has contributed poems, criticism, translations and articles to such publications as *Poetry*, *The New Yorker*, and the *Sewanee*, *Hudson* and *Kenyon* reviews.



Henry Rago



PHILHARMONIC SOLOIST

Letters announcing the 1954-55 Philharmonic season have been mailed to all present subscribers, according to Robert C. Hanna, president of the Fort Wayne Musical Society. In keeping with the policy of the Philharmonic in allowing the current ticket holders to renew their subscriptions before opening the sale to other interested persons, these subscribers will have until March 15 to renew their subscriptions. Marian Anderson, America's great contralto, will highlight the 1954-55 season as soloist for one of the six subscription concerts. The Philharmonic Orchestra will continue the policy established this year; that of no single admission sales for any subscription concert. Season tickets alone, will be sold for the 1954-55 six subscription concerts.

Drama Club Readies 'Great Big Doorstep'

Whiting — An aristocratic doorstep comes floating down the Mississippi River to the Crochet family and things begin to happen. With irresistible humor, pathos, and beauty, the concomitant events are told in the St. John Drama Club's production of "The Great Big Doorstep." The Whiting troupe will stage this three-act comedy by Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett Saturday and Sunday evenings, March 27 and 28, at 8:15 p.m. at the Whiting Community Center.

Irene Gregorovich will direct the cast of twelve through the dramatic paces of the "Doorstep." Audiences will remember Miss Gregorovich's stellar portrayal of Mary McLeod in "Detective Story" last month. She has done extensive acting, directing, and technical work while with the Drama Club.

Evelyn Sabol will collaborate with Miss Gregorovich as Production Manager. Miss Sabol directed and acted in the Club's "openers" last fall, "Song of Norway."

Mary Mores as Mrs. Crochet and Jack Taylor as her phlegmatic husband, the "Commodore," lead off as the starring comic team.

Others in the cast are Christine Micoley, Al Lazar, Conrad Blasko, Della Vrabel, Tom Biel, Roland Menzl, Rosemary Pevak and Dorothy Vidovich.

The roles of Elna and Fleece, the twins, will be played by the Evano twins, Michele and Margaret. The nine-year-old girls are in the fourth grade at St. John School.

The first performance of "The Great Big Doorstep" was given in 1942 with Dorothy Gish and Louis

Calhern in starring roles. The story was adapted from a novel by E. P. O'Donnell.

Columbine Club At St. Mary's College Presents Two Original Dramas

Notre Dame—Two original plays in end-staging were presented last week by the Columbine Dramatic Club St. Mary's College, here.

The two plays, "Shakespeare vs. Sandy" by sophomore Arleen Kann and "A Wife for Father" by senior Mary Wieland, were written for a Playwriting and Radio Script class under the direction of Dr. Natalie White of the Speech and English departments of St. Mary's.

The Columbine Club plans to open its next production to a larger audience because of the popularity of the initial performance when the audience was limited to members of the club and guests from St. Mary's College and the University of Notre Dame.

New H.N.S. Treasurer

South Bend—Johnny Nemeth of the Our Lady of Hungary parish is the new treasurer of the Allied Holy Name Society of the South Bend deanery, following his election to fill a vacancy here this week. He replaces John Parthen who had resigned. Joseph A. Kumi-niec, newly installed president, said the next quarterly meeting would be held June 2 at Holy Cross church.

NCCM Head Says . . .

Supreme Court Movie Decision May Strengthen Film Censorship

Washington (NC) — The Supreme Court's "M" and "La Ronde" movie decision may strengthen state film censorship rather than weaken it, the executive secretary of the National Council of Catholic Men said here.

The Court pointed to the necessity of clarifying the language of censorship statutes, and bills to do this are now pending in several states, Martin H. Work said in a letter published in *Catholic Men*, N.C.C.M. monthly.

The letter, addressed to the editor of *Commonweal*, disagreed with an article in the weekly magazine which held that "prior censorship of motion pictures by the state is nearing its end."

Mr. Work maintained that "the Supreme Court film decisions have been against lack of clarity and ambiguity of language — not against the right of states to protect its citizens' welfare by prior censorship."

The NCCM head criticized the *Commonweal* article, "Freedom of the Screen," as "superficial and dogmatic." In the article, William P. Clancy said that through its decisions on "M," "La Ronde" and "The Miracle," the Supreme Court had established "freedom" of the American screen "in principle." Mr. Clancy said that the Court seems to "prefer a case-by-case amplification of this fact to a once-and-for-all declaration of it" be-

cause of unreasoned objections from the religious press which "raises an anguished cry of 'moral ruin.'"

Mr. Work answered:

"It's both superficial and dogmatic to assume that this decision means that the Supreme Court will ultimately rule out all prior censorship of motion pictures; or that all the justices would 'privately agree' with Messrs. Justices Douglas and Black that all prior censorship is unconstitutional."

"A casual reading of the presentation of the cases to the court would indicate that the justices recognized the right and necessity of the state to exercise prior restraint of some kind on the showing of motion pictures."

Mr. Work also said it is "naïve" to hold that punitive laws alone can protect the public from obscene films. The *Commonweal* article had suggested that Catholics should "say goodbye to official censorship gladly" and emphasized the need for clearly defined laws on the showing of movies, and severe punishment for those convicted of defying the laws.

Mr. Work said: "I do not share the alarmist views of those who hold that morality 'goes down the drain' each time the Supreme Court calls for clarification of censorship statutes—or that our democracy will be wrecked if prior

censorship is eliminated altogether . . . on the other hand, neither do I share the alarmist views of those who hold that prior censorship of motion pictures is 'repugnant to any free society.'"

"In closing," he said, "I beg to disagree with the accusation that 'too frequently it is Catholic voices which are raised most violently in protest and fear whenever a freedom is born.'"

Cast Announced For N.D.'s 'Lady's Not For Burning'

Notre Dame — John Tumpane, director of the University Theatre, has announced the cast for the third production of the season, "The Lady's Not for Burning." Performances will be given in Washington Hall on the campus on March 18, 19, 20 and 21, with a matinee performance on March 21.

The cast includes William Bellis as Richard; Justin McDonough as Thomas Mendip; Roddy Oppenheim of St. Mary's College as Alison Eliot; Gerald Godwin as Nicholas Devise; Nancy Irgang of St. Mary's College as Margaret Devise; Philip Donahue as Humphrey Devise; Richard Robison as Hebble Tyson; Eleanor Kasky of South Bend as Jennet Jourdemayne; Leland Crogan as The Chaplain; George T. O'Donnell as Edward Tapperoom; and Gerald Sweeney as Matthew Skippis.

The month of March promises to be filled with activities for the University Theatre. After the successful reception of the initial evening of Theatre-in-the-Round, two additional evenings have been planned.

The first on March 4 included "Suppressed Desires," T. S. Eliot's "Ash Wednesday" and "Pierre Patelin."

The second evening will be presented on March 14. The program includes a short version of "The Glass Menagerie," Menotti's short opera, "The Telephone" and "The Boor."

Sr. Madeleva To Present Recitation Of Own Poetry

Notre Dame — Sister M. Madeleva, C.S.C., world-renowned poet and president of St. Mary's College, here, will present a verse recitation of her own poetry and a commentary on contemporary verse March 5 at the Indiana University Center of South Bend.

Sister Madeleva's address is the second in a five week series of recitations by outstanding verse authors. The "Poets of the Middle West" program is sponsored by the Indiana University Center and the English teachers of South Bend.

President of the Catholic Poetry Society of America, and a member of the Poetry Society of America and the Poetry Society of London, Sister Madeleva was awarded a gold medal at the New York World's Fair in 1939 for the best poem submitted by an Indiana poet.

Besides publishing seven books of her own poetry, she has written several other books, and her work has appeared in many secular publications as well as numerous Catholic periodicals. In addition, her poetry may be found in at least a dozen anthologies and compilations.

In My Opinion . . .

Nursing Ranks Among Highest
And Noblest Of Professions

By MARGARET McNAMARA

Margaret McNamara, a senior at Decatur Catholic high school, is vice-president of her class. Her scholastic ability wins her a place on the school-honor roll. Peggy is one of the photographers of the school paper staff and as such, turns out some excellent pictures. Recently she was chosen homecoming queen by the Decatur Catholic basketball fans. Peggy plans to enter the nursing school at St. Joseph's Hospital, Fort Wayne, after her graduation from high school.

Nursing is one of the most noble, educational, and interesting professions upon which a girl, having received a high school diploma, can enter. Some say it is hard work. Of course, it is! But tell me, what profession doesn't require long hours of study and preparation, carried on with determined perseverance?

As to its being a noble profession—nursing provides one with the opportunity of serving mankind in a high and useful way. Consider an operation, for instance. Just how much can a doctor accomplish without the aid of a nurse? A nurse deals with one of the most important factors on earth—human life. To become a registered nurse, one must learn all that is known to the world of medical science about the human body, its construction and functions. Since life, as I said before, is one of the most important factors on our planet, I think it is only just for us to list nursing as a noble profession, don't you?

In my estimation, nursing is just as educational as is any other field of work, if not more so. In this profession, one studies life in general—particularly, the human body. One comes to know how the body is constructed, what its main functions are, and how to conquer its difficulties and illnesses. One also studies about people, as to their own personal feelings and hardships. This latter study, however, usually occurs only in special branches of nursing.

To the girl who intends to enter married life, nursing forms an excellent background. She will normally know how to keep cool, calm, and collected when emergencies arise and will also know how to cope efficiently with almost any disease or infection. A registered nurse can usually tell just what is wrong with a member of her fam-

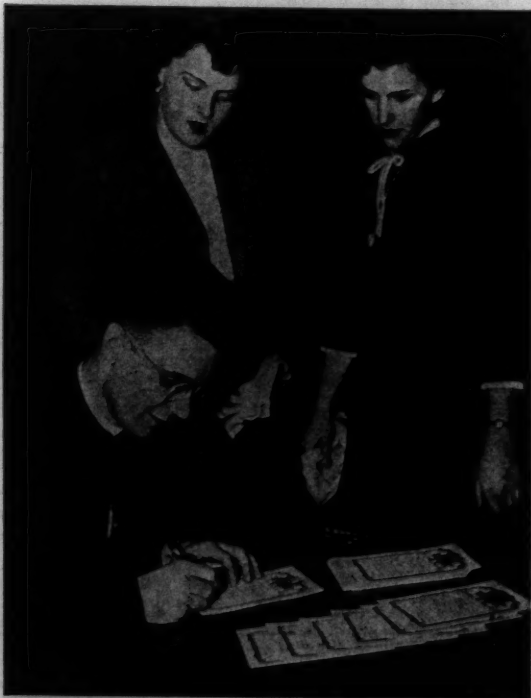


Margaret McNamara

ily by recognizing certain symptoms. Knowledge, obtained through nurse's training, has often saved lives.

Nursing in itself is an extremely interesting profession. To be a good nurse one must know thoroughly the general routine of the hospital in which she is taking her training and must be interested enough in it to carry on alone if necessary. She also has the opportunity of meeting and associating with many people who possess new and different personalities and outlooks on life.

In my opinion, nursing is somewhat of a challenge and is, literally speaking, essential for any girl contemplating marriage and the raising of a family. I would wholeheartedly recommend it.



NEW SODALITY MEMBERS — The Sodality of Our Lady of St. Mary's Academy, Twyckenham Park, South Bend, received forty-five girls at a reception ceremony held recently. During the ceremony new members received a Miraculous Medal and a certificate to signify membership. In the picture the Rev. Joseph P. Voelker, C.S.C., the school chaplain, is signing the certificates of Sandra Spence, Saginaw, Mich., and Mary Frances Neizer, Fort Wayne. — Alten photo.

BOARD MEMBERS — Recently installed board members of the C.Y.O. Sheil Club of Gary are, front row (left to right): Mrs. Frank Collins, vice president; The Rev. Eugene Zimmerman, diocesan youth director, and Mrs. James Pictore, secretary. Back row: Joseph J. Schuster, president; the Rev. Lawrence T. Grothouse, deanery youth director, Edward J. Evans, treasurer. They formally took office at the annual Installation Dinner held in February.



College And School News

Seminarians At St. Felix
Monastery Will Present A
Marian Academy March 9

On Tuesday, March 9, the seminarians of St. Felix Seminary, Huntington, will present a Marian academy surveying the history of Mariology from Apostolic times to the definition of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception by Pope Pius IX in 1854.

The seminary choir under the direction of Rev. Giles Soyka, O.F.M. Cap., will open the program with a hymn in honor of St. Thomas Aquinas, patron of Catholic schools, "O Doctor Optime" by Rev. Denis Sellen, O.F.M. Cap.

Fr. Melvin Reitzner, O.F.M. Cap., will speak on the growth of Mariology from the days of the Apostles to the eighth century; Fr. Floyd Richardson, O.F.M. Cap., will explain the development of Mariology in the Middle Ages; and Fr. Alaric Wolf will outline the course of Mariology from the sixteenth to the nineteenth century.

The program will close with the singing of "Tota Pulchra Es, Maria!" by Dom Pothier, O.S.B.

The girls' senior religion classes at St. Joseph High School, South Bend, are taking a course in marriage preparation. The entire course, compiled and published at the University of Ottawa in Canada, is comprised of 15 lessons, each treating some subject relevant to marriage or marriage preparation. The lessons cover the Christian ideal of marriage; the ideal husband—the ideal wife; true happiness in marriage; courtship and engagement; and masculine and feminine psychology.

A new sequence of graduate and

undergraduate courses concerned with the educational and cultural problems brought about by the development of modern science will be taught during the University of Notre Dame Summer Session, June 18-August 3, according to an announcement by the Rev. Bernard I. Mullahy, C.S.C., head of the philosophy department.

Five courses making up the program will compare various views, ancient and modern, about the physical universe. They are Cosmology, The Study of Nature, The Philosophy of Science, The Logic of Science, and Seminar on Science and Philosophy. The courses will be taught by Dr. Vincent E. Smith, director of the program; Dr. John J. Glanville and Dr. John Fitzgerald, assisted by other members of the philosophy department faculty.

Robert Spranger, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Spranger, Fort Wayne, has been listed on the honor roll of St. Mary's College, Winona, Minn., where he is a sophomore.

Dr. E. K. Francis, associate professor of sociology at the University of Notre Dame, has received a grant from the American Philosophical Society for the continuation of his research on the Spanish-Americans in the Upper Rio Grande Valley.

During the Easter vacation period, Dr. Francis will study documents in the archives of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe. He also expects to attend the rites and ceremonies observed at Easter-time in the remote Spanish villages of the Sangre de Cristo mountains in New Mexico.

The Most Rev. Leo A. Pursley, Auxiliary Bishop of Fort Wayne,

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Subject For High School

was the speaker at a recent St. Francis College Convocation. Bishop Pursley, who has recently made a trip to Rome, told the students of the college about his experiences.

Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, authority on semantics and lecturer at the University of Chicago, will give a series of ten lectures on "The Science of Words" to students in Notre Dame's College of Commerce. He will lecture at Notre Dame each Monday and Tuesday during the month of March. Dr. Hayakawa is the author of "Language in Thought and Action" and has contributed many articles to professional journals.

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Studying A Lost Art—Astronomy

Notre Dame—Elementary education majors at St. Mary's College, here, ascend the steps of the old astronomical observatory on the St. Mary's Campus one night each week to pursue their studies in the awe-inspiring science of astronomy, one of the four sciences included in the Survey of the Physical Sciences course offered this semester.

Walter Williams, past president of the St. Joseph Valley Astronomical Society, conducts the weekly lectures and supervises celestial observation which includes the use of the observatory and field trips.

A gift of the alumnae association of the college in 1915, the St. Mary's Observatory has an 18-foot dome which now houses a modern equatorial 6-inch telescope mounted for electric power. The observatory is constructed of brick, concrete and steel.

The fact that the science of astronomy would decline in popularity subsequent to 1915 could not be foreseen since for a while this subject was a requirement for graduation. However, classes in astronomy were consequently offered only in intermittent years, and during World War II the observatory was used for special training by naval units at the University of Notre Dame.

The field and laboratory work for the current course must be accomplished at the convenience of the weather and unlike most classes specified wearing apparel is mandatory. Warm clothing, including wool stockings, wool or cotton slacks, gloves or mittens, and large boots, is especially necessary.

Astronomical study for the St. Mary's elementary education students will close with a visit to the Adler Planetarium in Chicago and a lecture there entitled "Reasons for the Seasons" by E. J. Wilhelm of the department of chemical engineering at the University of Notre Dame.

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CHINESE PRIESTS AT N.D. — Among new students at the University of Notre Dame in the Spring semester are three priests, refugees from Communist-held China. They are (left to right) Fathers Peter Keng, Anthony Chen and Paulinus Sun. They were ordained in the Philippines in 1952 after fleeing their homeland in 1949, a step ahead of the advancing Communist forces. Now enrolled in the Notre Dame Graduate School, the three priests emphasize their present mission: Pray for China.

Chinese Priests At N.D. Say, 'Pray For Those Left Behind'

Notre Dame — "Pray for China!"

That is the plea of three young Chinese priests, refugees from their Red-ruled homeland, who recently enrolled in the University of Notre Dame Graduate School. They are Fathers Anthony Chen, Peter Keng and Paulinus Sun. They were ordained at Vigan on Luzon in the Philippines in 1952 after fleeing China in 1949, a step ahead of the advancing Communist forces.

"Pray for those we left behind. That's about all we can do for now," Father Chen says. After completing their studies at Notre Dame, the three priests hope to go to Formosa and eventually to the Chinese homeland.

Often seen together on the campus and in nearby South Bend, the three priests were boyhood friends in the city of Yenchowfu in northern China. They were students in the Catholic seminary there when the Communists began their march of conquest through China. Their superiors sent them to the Philippines to complete their studies for the priesthood.

None of the three has heard anything of their families in three years. They fear for the safety of their loved ones as word reaches them of increasing persecution of Christians under the Red regime.

Because the Communists claim a "people's" government, the Christians, the businessmen and the educated people of China are not supposedly persecuted because of their religion or background, Father Keng explains. Instead, he says, they are accused of spying and treason.

All China expects Nationalist

forces to return to the mainland and liberate the country, the priests say. Meantime, the three priests study and pray for the oppressed people whom they will serve in the land they love and long for.

Noll Upset In Tourney

By JOHN A. CENGEL

Hammond—February 24, proved to be a hectic day in Noll's home town as the sectionals began. Noll was paired with Hammond Tech for the first game. The Nollites were not worried as they already had beaten the Tigers twice before. But it proved to be no soft touch as Noll finally downed a fighting Tech team 62 to 50.

The Warriors were cold in the opening quarter and consequently trailed 10 to 9 when the first gun sounded. But they warmed up rapidly and went on to a flashing victory. Ron Loneski proved to be top scorer with 28 points.

Later that evening, Noll lost to Hammond Morton in a stunning upset, 59-55. But the numbers don't tell the story. The Warriors sank 20 buckets to Morton's 19 but suffered a downfall at the charity line by a 21 to 15 margin.

Dick Kessler of Morton was high for both teams with 17 points. Taking honors for Noll were Loneski and John O'Keefe with 14 points each. The Warriors have finished their season with a 16 and 5 record.

Diocesan CYO Basketball Meet In Gary

Gary—Pairings for the annual Diocesan CYO Basketball Tournament, to be held here in Lew Wallace gym, Sunday, March 7, have been announced with the issuance of entry blanks by the Rev. Eugene Zimmerman, Fort Wayne, Diocesan CYO Director.

At 2:00 p. m., the Hammond Deanyery champions will meet the winners from Gary Deanyery and at 3:00 p. m., the South Bend Deanyery titlists play the Fort Wayne Deanyery crown holders.

At 7:00 p. m. the losers of the afternoon games will meet for the consolation prize and at 8:00 p. m. the two winners square away for the Diocesan crown.

Following the meet, trophies will be presented to the champions, the runners-up and the consolation winners.

Lew Wallace gym is located at 45th and Monroe streets in this city.

Fort Wayne C.C. Dumped By North Side In Sectional

By JOHN YAGGY

Fort Wayne C. C. bowed out of the sectional tournament in the second round to the eventual tourney winner, North Side, by the score of 80-57. In first round play, the Irish slaughtered the Woodburn Warriors 72-41.

Woodburn, a small county school, jumped to short leads in their game but the Irish, paced by Dean Konger, had little trouble after the first couple of minutes. C. C. led 20-13 at the end of the first quarter and romped to a 40-18 halftime lead.

The scoring was led by Konger with 20 points.

The North game was the direct opposite of the Woodburn clash. The Redskins, after being down 15-13 at the first period end, jumped to a 37-22 halftime lead. They held a third quarter margin of 62-39 and finally won 80-37.

Henry Chapman of North and C. C.'s Dick Michael were the co-scoring leaders with 17 apiece. C. C. ended the season with a 11-11 record.

Five Priests Listed In Sermon Exchange

Fort Wayne—the annual lenten pulpit exchange among St. Jude, St. Paul, St. Peter and St. Joseph churches and St. Mary Church, Decatur, has been announced by the Very Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Girardot, pastor of St. Jude Church, here.

The Very Rev. Msgr. John F. Nadolny, pastor, St. Paul's; the Very Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Seimet, pastor, St. Mary's, Decatur; the Rev. Ralph Larson, Assistant, St. Joseph's; the Rev. Dennis Dennihan, assistant, St. Jude's, and the Rev. Joseph Crowley, assistant, St. Peter's, are the exchange preachers. The series started on Ash Wednesday and will follow a rotating schedule until the concluding assignment on Wednesday, April 7. Monsignor Girardot delivered the Ash Wednesday sermon in St. Jude's Church. The sermons in Decatur will be delivered during the services on the Tuesdays of Lent.



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Farming In The Sudan

By RT. REV. MSGR. L. G. LIGUTTI

When we crossed into Sudan, and reached Loa mission, we found a well developed center. Here I tramped through sweet potato and sesame plots. They are trying to raise as much as possible of the food needs for their schools. The needs are few, but, strange to say, not so easy to meet. Dura (a tall sorghum) or finger millet are used as a mush actually a polenta—very nutritious and good mineral content, fair in vitamins. For condiment, peanuts and crushed sesame are both served as a thick vegetable oil; at times a red chili or spices. Meat is seldom eaten. Some boiled leaves furnish the total of vegetables used—no salt at any time.

So, self sufficiency should not be too difficult. Most of the mission schools are of the room and board type. Therefore, the possibility of a full production of food needs would be a great saving. Personally, I would advise equipping each mission group with efficient production tools like machinery for plowing and harvesting. With food needs so primitive, why even hunger at times? I was amazed at finding the answer. The whole Southern Sudan does not know the plow. A very rudimentary hoe is the only cultivation instrument. Cut the crutch of a branch, about 18 inches long on either side; two inches thick; an iron hoe at one end; a bent-over girl or woman at the other end; and that's agricultural production in Southern Sudan. There is a sickle for cutting tall grass, reeds, and dura. All else is gathered by hand, threshed and crushed by hand.

This is the dry season; hence the time for burning the grasses and brush. The night glows with fires everywhere. Often the car has to speed through a narrow road with crackling fires on both sides. Smoke fills the atmosphere, and a haze precludes far off views. A goodly portion of Southern Sudan is covered by iron stone, but there is plenty of top soil for cultivation. Vast areas of usable land are certainly not used, and what is used, does not produce efficiently. There are from 30 to 50 inches of rain a year. The sea level elevation is 1,000 to 3,000 feet; hence, not at all too hot. Just now, it's perfect May weather. The Equatoria Province (southern-most part of Sudan) is Tse-Tse fly territory; hence, hardly any cattle exists, and the Zande tribe does not even want to learn to care for cattle. If cows are kept in the mission, it's Dinkas who are the herdsmen. Here, north and west, in the Wau district inhabited by the Dinkas, there is plenty of cattle, but rin-

derpest disease causes severe losses of livestock.

The most absent of absent things in Southern Sudan are the wagons and the donkeys so common in Latin America. It indicates that the wheel has been unknown, and that trade has not been practiced. Each family produces all it needs, or, at the most, a neighborhood clan does. And that's the end of the world. Things are changing, but very slowly. Bicycles are becoming visible, and the wearing of clothes—very seldom shoes or hats. The plow is unknown, and even where cows are found, there are no oxen used for traction. Now and then a mission employs oxen to transport bricks and timber for short hauls. One can draw conclusions from such a material situation of fact.

Most of the bigger and older missions conduct industrial schools. Brick and tile making and carpentry are the first arts taught, because all the Catholic mission, as a rule, develop quickly from the mud and straw hut to useful brick and tile structures.

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A New Power Appears

St. Joe Has Fine Showing In Tourney

South Bend — A new power appeared on the South Bend basketball horizon this week in the wake of the local sectional tournament and those pessimists who had been selling the new St. Joseph High school basketballers short now admit the Indians really have arrived.

Coach Francis Curran's brilliant crew elbowed their way in among the elite by smashing the city-champion Washington Panthers, 60-48, in the Adams gymnasium. But in the semi-final round, the winning streak of the Indians came to an end as Mishawaka beat St. Joseph, 59-49.

The Indians, who wound up their first basketball campaign in history with a proud 18 won and 2 lost record, were lightly regarded because of a mild schedule. But their brilliant performances against Washington and Mishawaka convinced even the hardest skeptics that the new school in South Bend is going to be a mighty formidable opponent in both basketball and football.

The St. Joseph boys, playing on the Adams floor for the first time, had a little case of stage fright at the start but Washington soon discovered that it was all a mis-

take. Dick Pohlman, 6-4 center for the Indians, Dick Hagye and lean Larry Varda gave the Panthers a lesson in rebounding technique, helping their mates come from behind and take the lead early in the fourth period. After that it was all St. Joseph.

Against Mishawaka, the Indians simply couldn't overcome a miserable first 12 minutes in which they trailed 29-7. St. Joseph fought back gallantly in the second half, outscoring Mishawaka 33-25, but could not undo its first half damage.



AQUINAS LECTURE SERIES BEGINS — A poster on the Ninth Annual Aquinas Lenten Lecture Series beginning March 7 in the Progress Club is shown by Mrs. Thomas C. Moynihan, Jr., general chairman left, to Mrs. A. Robert Caponigri, left, Mrs. Andrew Troeger, center, and Mrs. Walter P. Duggan, right, ticket co-chairmen. — South Bend Tribune photo.

South Bend — The Rev. Frederick Wilcock, S.J., a former Japanese Prisoner of War, and founder of the Russian Center at Fordham University will open the Ninth Annual Aquinas Lenten Lecture at the Progress Club on Sunday March 7 at 8 p.m. The series, sponsored by the Aquinas Library and Book Shop will run for five consecutive Sundays.

He will discuss "Russia and the Catholic Church." Rt. Rev. Msgr. John S. Sabo, pastor of Our Lady of Hungary Church, will introduce the speaker.

The second in the series of talks is scheduled for March 14 when Dr. A. Robert Caponigri of the Philosophy Department of the University of Notre Dame will talk on "Italy in the Free World".

The price of the series is \$2.50. Single admissions are \$1.00. Tickets may be purchased at the boxoffice the night of the lecture.

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- Mar. 21 Confirmation, Immaculate Conception, Auburn (afternoon)
- Mar. 21 Confirmation, St. Joseph, Garrett (evening)
- Mar. 28 Confirmation, Mother of Mercy, Rome City
- Apr. 4 Confirmation, St. Anthony, Angola (afternoon)
- Apr. 4 Confirmation, St. Michael, Waterloo (evening)
- Apr. 6 Holy Family Study Club, Fort Wayne
- Apr. 15 Pontifical Mass Cathedral, Consecration of Oils
- Apr. 20 Catholic Educational Association Meeting, Talk, Chicago
- Apr. 25 Sermon on Marian Year observance, St. Mary College, Notre Dame
- Apr. 25 Confirmation, Little Flower and Christ the King, South Bend (afternoon)
- Apr. 25 Confirmation, Holy Cross, South Bend (evening)
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- Apr. 27 Confirmation, St. Patrick, South Bend
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- Apr. 30 Confirmation, St. Mary, Bristol
- May 2 Confirmation, Sacred Heart and St. Hedwig's, South Bend, (afternoon)
- May 2 Confirmation, St. Casimir, South Bend (evening)
- May 3 Confirmation, St. Joseph, Terre Coupee
- May 4 Confirmation, St. Monica, Mishawaka
- May 5 Confirmation, St. Dominic, Bremen
- May 9 Confirmation, St. Monica and St. Anthony, Gary (afternoon)
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- May 16 Confirmation, St. Jude and Our Lady of Guadalupe, East Chicago (afternoon)
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- May 25 Confirmation, St. Helen, Hebron
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- May 27 Confirmation, St. Thomas, Knox
- May 28 Confirmation, St. Patrick, Walkerton
- June 6 Commencement, Notre Dame
- June 6 Commencement, St. Joseph High School, South Bend
- June 9 Ordination, Sacred Heart Church, Notre Dame

The Archbishop will ordain at St. John's Parish, Whiting, on May 1, will preside at Commencement at Our Lady of the Lake seminary, June 2 and at Central Catholic High School, June 6.

Vocation Institute At N.D.

Archbishop Schulte To Give Keynote Address

Notre Dame — The Most Rev. Paul Schulte, Archbishop of Indianapolis, will deliver the keynote address at the eighth annual Vocation Institute to be held at the University of Notre Dame, July 15-18, it was announced by the Rev. John H. Wilson, C.S.C., Director of the Institute. The speaker, at the final session will be the Most Rev. William T. Mulloy, Bishop of Covington (Ky.), Father Wilson said.

More than 200 priests, Brothers, Sisters and laymen representing many religious communities and dioceses are expected to attend the Institute. The annual meeting has become a center for the exchange of information on the fostering and guidance of vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

"The Psychology of Vocation" will be the general theme of this year's sessions. The Rev. Charles J. D. Corcoran, O.P., of the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill., will discuss "Temperament and Vocation." The Rev. Charles Harris, C.S.C., of Notre Dame will present a paper on "Development of Personality in the Religious Life."

"Testing and Screening" for the priesthood and religious life will be the panel discussion subject of Sister M. Digna, O.S.B. of the College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, Minn., and Edward R. Quinn, Director of Testing and Guidance at Notre Dame. Quinn has administered personality, aptitude and intelligence tests to thousands of Notre Dame students including novitiate and major seminary candidates.

Registration for the Institute will open July 15 with the first formal session scheduled for the morning of July 16. The Institute will close with a Holy Hour in Sacred Heart Church on Sunday afternoon, July 18. Further information may be obtained from the

Danny Thomas Star On 'Hour Of St. Francis'

Fort Wayne — Danny Thomas, comedy headliner of stage and radio, pours all the verve and gaiety of his personality into the title role of "Our Lady's Juggler," to be heard in "The Hour of St. Francis" over Radio Station WOWO at 10:45 a.m. Saturday, March 6.

The script retells in uniquely modern fashion an old French legend about a juggler who discovers a novel way to express his thanks for a favor from Heaven. In the up-to-date account, Danny Thomas plays Al, a vaudeville actor, who finds himself penniless as his wife is expecting their first child. His fervent prayer for help brings a stunningly swift reply.

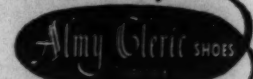


PASTEUR AWARD — Professor James A. Reyniers of the University of Notre Dame, is the 1954 recipient of the Pasteur Award given annually by the Society of Illinois Bacteriologists. Reyniers, who is founder and director of Notre Dame's LOBUND Institute, was selected "for his pioneering work in germ-free research," stated Dr. J. C. McCaffrey, award committee chairman.



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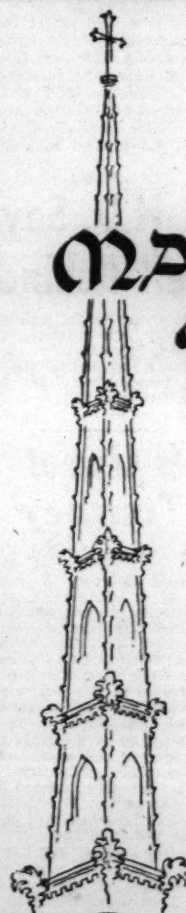
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